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1. Foreign Missions, January. 2. Sustentation, March. 3. Publication, May.
4. Church Erection, July. 5. Ministerial Relief, September. 6. Education, October
7. Home Missions, November. 8. Freedmen, December.

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BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

December, the last month of the year, has come, suggesting a review of God's dealings. In this review, the year has been one of painful disappointment to multitudes as to the improvement in general business prosperity. This Board has been compelled to struggle with debt on its treasury, and, at the same time, with increased demands for aid from its vast fields, so that it enters the first month of winter with a debt of over \$110,-000! A large part of the field, and a large proportion of the missionaries, are exposed to severe winters.

The Board, in view of all these things, some time since felt compelled to warn the missionaries of the probability of delay in their payments. This has proved to be a wise forewarning. It has developed many noble returns from some of the missionaries. Some have even remitted their last quarterage, and others have relieved the Board by attempting selfsupport.

PRESBYTERIES.

The times demand of Presbyteries increased thoroughness in their supervision of their fields, and practical sympathy with the Board in its struggles. If Home Mission work declines, every other object of benevolence declines with it. Every Church it plants or fosters becomes a new fountain of support and strength to all the other schemes of the Church.

In some Presbyteries, committees are appointed to visit and examine every field commended for aid, and such Presbytery is informed thoroughly of the real and relative wants of its Mission Congregations.

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

Might not every Presbytery, in some such way, secure full and reliable information? In this way, every destitute section would soon be supplied with regular means of grace. Faithfulness, in the Presbytery, must be the ground of confidence to the Church at large, contributing the means of supply, and the guide to the Board in the distribution.

WINTER HAS BEGUN.

Winter has come to the 1,200 missionaries and their families under the care of the Board. Will not the church furnish the means to supply the inevitable wants of such an inclement season? Can the church think upon this without deep, practical concern? Shall not ministers, elders, members, and Sabbath-schools "remember those thus in bonds as bound with them, and those suffering adversity, as being also in the body?" Thus may we "bear one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ." "What is done quickly, is twice done."

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The following statement was made to the Board of the condition of the treasury on the 1st November, 1878. In the beginning of the snows and storms of winter it should excite the concern and secure for the work the prompt co-operation of the people of God.

STATEMENT.

| April 1st, 1878. Indebtedness | . \$8,841 35 |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Cash paid to November 1st, 1878 | |
| Due Missionaries | . 43,000 00 |
| | \$183,466 48 |
| Less receipts to November 1st, 1878 | · · · |
| Debt, November 1st, 1878 | . \$110,307 08 |

Extract from an address of Dr. Norton in the Synod of Illinois South. Dr. Norton is one of the most venerable ministers in our church. He calls attention to the importance of Home Missions to every other branch of work in the church, a matter far too little regarded and too often overlooked.

"I am apprehensive the amount paid for Home Missions will fall much below our obligations and the necessities of the case. I think now and always have thought that this cause should be *first* in our regards. We owe to it everything. There is scarcely one of our churches, but is now receiving, or has received large assistance from this source. We fly to it when in difficulty as the sick or pained child flies to its mother. Nor do we ever appeal to it in vain. Not an instance can be referred to of the withholding of aid except for good and substantial cause. To withhold support from such a mother is filial impiety and ingratitude.

Besides to withhold aid from the Board of Home Missions is to cripple

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our entire benevolent system. Without them there would soon be no force to drive any part of our benevolent machinery.

Without them, Foreign Missions, Education, Ministerial Relief would presently come to a stand still. Our Assembly does some wise things and some not so wise. Among the last is that apportionment of benevolent funds which makes Home Missions *second* in the list. It should stand far in advance of everything.

Moreover: Foreign Missions are coming to us. Pagans and semi-Christians are pouring into our territory every year by the ten thousand. We most foolishly make them all voters with scarcely the slightest apprenticeship to our institutions, and with no more qualification, in many cases, for that high function than newly imported apes. Nothing can save us as a nation from being ruled, ere many years have passed, by Papists, Socialists, tramps, and the dregs of European society—nothing can but Home Missions. Our political institutions of themselves lead down, down. They invest the most ignorant and the lowest in character with the highest functions. Nothing but Home Missions, which brings the gospel to the lowest as well as the highest, can counteract this tendency, by instructing, Christianizing and elevating that vast and constantly increasing element in our country which threatens anarchy in the land, and destruction to our institutions. The tramp question, the socialist and communist questionthe question of common honesty between man and man, and of municipal, state, and national honesty are all intimately connected with Home Missions. You may multiply conventions, plans of Christian work, Ladies' Societies, and other reformatory schemes ad infinitum, but unless you plant in our communities efficient Christian ministers, as Home Missions does and proposes to do, all will.be in vain. It pleases God by the 'foolishness of preaching' to save men."

The following letters from Missionaries will convey to the churches a fair idea of the vicissitudes of the work over immense fields under the supervision of the Board :

Would be preachers. Kansas.

It would be a peculiar pleasure to be able to report more manifest success in my work than appears. Knowing this, that the solid and enduring success of all missionary work comes from God, in the time and measure He is pleased to give it, I have been all the more careful and conscientious in performing the work allotted to me in this wide, wide field; but sickness in myself and members of my family has interrupted that work. I have suffered seriously from congestive chills which have left me in a very weak condition. The form of sickness in members of my family has been bilious and intermittent; and it still lingers with us. The people throughout the region-old settlers as well as fresh immigrants-have and are still suffering from the same sickness. The old settlers say that it is a season of unusual unhealthiness which results, as is supposed, from the intense and prolonged period of heat which was preceded by great falls of rain. In my pastoral work, as I have been able to do it, between spells of prostration, I noted that about one family in eight was exempt from miasmatic sickness. This affliction, taken in connection with low prices for produce, the injury of the late corn and garden vegetables by the dry, hot weather,

has dispirited and discouraged the people; and this feeling affects church work. Christians have not the energy and courage to take hold of duty, and the enterprises of the church in which she is always lacking in a new field. In times like this it cheers the missionary's heart to know that the truths and promises of the gospel comfort the people of God. Whilst we go forward in our work, other branches of the church are

pushing theirs. Would-be preachers of Christ's gospel gather into these new states, and with great boldness make their appointments and hold forth to the people their trash-denouncing the "orthodox," boasting that they do not preach for money, and holding up to ridicule licenses to preach, ordi-nation, and ordained and regularly appointed ministers. Sects, heresies, error and unbelief abound and have their advocates. The chief hinderers here are the Campbellites. They are boastful, as well as conceited and bold. All the more important is the mission of the Presbyterian Church in these new states. Whilst laboring in the east, I thought I could realize this importance, and I did, but not as I can now. Hundreds of people are coming into this state every day. The largest proportion of them bring very small sums of money. They struggle for years to pay for and im-prove their lands,—many of them failing in this. A small proportion are truly pious. These frequently take isolated positions. They feel the loss of eastern religious associations. Some are Presbyterians, numbers of whom are far removed from any church of their order. Their education and tastes do not encourage them to fall in with other denominations. They become cold, indifferent, and lost to the ranks of Christ's sacramental host. I have found such. Among these immigrants come the self-constituted preachers of a gospel which has only enough of Christ in it to secure it a hearing. From vanity or the devil's promptings, these fellows begin to preach as soon as they come. There is very little solid religious sentiment to oppose them,-that sentiment is slowly made and solidified. People, strange to one another, go to hear them. It costs them nothing; it injures them and their children greatly, and they know it not or do not care to know it; and they are contented,—it is religious meeting. The real solid Christian is quiet in most instances-does not so much as "get up" a prayer-meeting, and at length some will go out to hear error. It is strange and painful!

The success of our denomination depends, on the human side, upon planting our organizations in the centres of population, making them radiating points, *holding* them, and steadily and faithfully holding forth "the word of life," in its positive form and fulness, and in an uncontroversial spirit. Thus we will "win and conquer." Would that our wealthy brethren could realize the greatness of our work! Would that poor churches small churches. rather—could realize the great need of their gifts!. Oh that God would give them the spirit of the widow who gave her two mites!

The cause of temperance prospers with us. Political excitement runs high. W. B. McKEE.

A Waldensian Church.

I have preached to our people every Sabbath during this quarter, except three Sabbaths, when I preached for brother ministers in this presbytery. I am happy to say that the word of God, is doing his work in the consciences of sinners and for the comfort of Christians.

Our Sunday School is now composed only of the members of the congregation, the Baptists and Methodists around us, having withdrawn to organize schools of their own. French is the only language spoken now, and our people of course understand much better.

Some families have arrived from the Waldensian Valleys of Italy, some more would like to come, but have not the means and so had better remain. But others are just waiting for news from those lately arrived, to make a decision, and I have no doubt, that we will increase in number, and that our door is open now for those who cannot live in the Valleys, and do not want to go to South America. Militarism, Marseilles and Montevideo, have been three curses of our Valleys. Young men levied at twenty in Italy as soldiers, are thrown in the midst of the most immoral people, and come back after a few years, debauched and unwilling to work. The same may be said of Marseilles, but if families instead of young people alone, emigrate together, there is a guarantee of their being kept from the evils that beset the youth in large Roman Catholic towns.

Please God, we shall as soon as possible, begin to work for our Church house, the harvest will soon be over, and the hands free to cut timber, and have it sawn at the mill. We long very much to have a small modest building of our own, for this holy use. My house is now too small for the increased congregation that used to assemble here, and the schoolhouse, where we go now, is too far from the centre, about three miles. I hope to be able to report next quarter, that the house is made and dedicated to God's service.

> I remain, dear brother, Yours in Jesus Christ. J. P.

J. P. SOLOMON.

Herewith I submit my third report for the year ending Jan. 1st, 1879. Since my last report we have had, in union with the Cumberland Presbyterians, at King City, a precious season of refreshing. Christians were much revived. The awakening was quite general. Many inquired the way of life, and several were converted. Four were added to our church on profession of faith, and one by certificate. As usual, those under Presbyterian influence came to us, and those without previous training went elsewhere. Outside of our own families, there is a wide-spread ignorance of, and prejudice against, our doctrines. And this is brought about largely by the circulation of books and tracts which misrepresent our faith. The Cumberlands at King City make it a point to influence against us all those who are ignorant of us. Hence, they get a larger membership than we. But we get a better, more educated and more pious membership than they. Our growth, though small, is, therefore, substantial. The Sabbath-school at King City is reasonably good, and is mainly sustained by Presbyterians.

We have received into this church, since my last report, two by letter and one on examination. We have had no special interest, but have had encouraging attendance at Sabbath-school and preaching. We are arranging for a series of meetings in connection with our next communion, and are praying for a good work. Will you, dear brethren, unite your prayers with ours?

During the summer I have had three afternoon school-house appointments on the outskirts of my field. The attendance has been encouraging, and Sabbath-schools are sustained at two of these points. The destitution existing in neighborhoods around us is appalling. Second Adventism and Campbellism have been sown in all these communities. The result is, no respect for the Sabbath, little piety and much religious indifference. Still

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faithful preaching, with God's blessing, would accomplish wonders in all these communities. I am doing as much as I consistently can for them.

I am sorry to learn that the Board is in debt, and will have to fall behind in the payment of dues. Will the Lord stir up His people to provide you with the necessary funds? I feel quite sure that my churches, with what aid I can give them, will themselves pay my next instalment. I am determined not to ask the Board to pay a dollar of the last \$50 00 on this year. If all our home mission churches will do this well, you will be greatly helped. The instalment now due I will be thankful for whenever you can send it. F. G. STRANGE.

POSSESSION TAKEN OF NEBRASKA.

The second quarter expires to-day,—six months of another year. In the review of the past I can but express thanks to Almighty God for His goodness and mercies to myself and family. I have now completed 23 years of missionary life here in Nebraska. We are thankful the Lord sent us here. I came direct from Princeton Seminary to the Presbytery in Indiana, Madison (O. S.) that had watched over me during college and seminary years, and was licensed, ordained, and married all within one week, and in three weeks were on our tedious route to Nebraska. My wife being a relative of Dr. Crowe of Hanover College, and a spiritual father to me, advised us to take the overland route, on account of cholera on rivers. (There were no railroads in Iowa then). There was no other way of our reaching the field of labor assigned us but by a private conveyance. The only one I could afford was a one-horse top-buggy. We were nearly three weeks on the road. In Western Iowa both were taken very sick; were very low for three weeks. After many delays and in much weakness of body we crossed the Missouri river at Nebraska City in an open flat-boat, and in the name of our Master and our worthy church tock possession of Nebraska. Nebraska City was our home and headquarters of Presby-terianism for a long time. There the *first* Presbyterian Church was organized; the first house of worship erected; the first church-bell ever purchased in Nebraska (except one); we could say, the first Sabbath-school organized.

Please pardon this digression. Our thoughts and pen sometimes run away with us ere we are aware.

My last report was full of encouragement in every respect; but unexpected changes have come. The 9th of July we had promise of a most bountiful harvest. It had just commenced; here and there a field of rye or barley had been cut, but no wheat, when the terrible storm of wind, rain and hail destroyed everything on a strip of country from four to six miles wide, right through the heart of our county, from the west to southeast. It only took from eleven to fifteen minutes of the storm to change all our hopes and plans. The elder of Aurora Church lost the most about \$1,500 worth of grain alone. Every member was stripped of their crops, for all are farmers. Two-thirds of the paying membership of the Unity Church were in the range of the storm. Our least and weakest church, Avon, escaped the storm.

"What shall we do?" I heard from their lips; "we have lost all; how can we pay our subscription? How will you get along Mr. Giltner?" I tried to cheer and comfort our people, and when I saw the big tears come in their eyes, I have turned and wept. I have seen the depredations of the grasshoppers every time they came upon the crops of Nebraska, but never have I seen such destruction of crops as by that hail-storm. I, too, and family often repeat, "how will we get along another year?" Half my year is expired, and less than \$75 of the \$400 salary promised by our people has been paid. How can I expect it when they have not to give, and some have debts besides. The Aurora Church especially is affected. When the storm came, we had the lumber for our house of worship purchased and on the ground, and framed ready to raise. Our building to cost about \$1,800, \$1,200 to be raised here, \$200 have been raised; the building is enclosed, ready to plaster. Up to this time our building has cost about \$1,200. A debt of \$500 is on us—we cannot do more. Our resources (owing to loss by storm) are drained. We hope to receive \$600 from our Board of Church Erection. They usually give about one-third when that amount will complete the building free of debt. But here is the gap of \$500 to be filled. Where is it to come from? Who will help us? We have a beautiful building. Every one is pleased with it. Its general appearance is most favorable. If we could only complete and occupy it, it would be a great advantage to our denomination.

Since our last report two members have been added to each of our three churches—all by letter.

I felt much disheartened when I received your late postal informing me of the embarrassments of the Board and the probability that our payments from the Board might not be prompt. Now do please consider our case, and if at all possible send the next allowance *soon*.

Yours most truly,

H. M. GILTNER.

LETTER FROM A THEOLOGICAL STUDENT.

Lane Theological Seminary.

I have resigned the charges which I, through your help, was placed over. I am here to study, if possible, during this whole scholastic year; I desire to be better prepared for the great and glorious work to which I feel God has called me.

The brethren with whom I consulted seemed to approve of the step. I feel I did nothing hastily; I prayed over it and I sought counsel of the Lord. I believe He has led me. The way seemed clear to leave my churches without serious detriment to them, and it was quite inviting for me to come to this Seminary. I am grateful for the manifestation of friendship and goodwill which my congregations in general bore towards me. Many seemed loth to give me up, especially at Victoria—a church which I was instrumental in organizing, and now has 19 members with good prospect for additions.

I am thankful to you, dear brethren, for your help during the past four years. You have a difficult work. I *tried* to give you no trouble; I hope the Lord has blessed your labors in my behalf. I believe He has blessed me—I know it! I enjoyed laboring for Jesus. He caused me to see to some extent, the fruit of my labors. I have sown in tears, I shall reap in joy. Oh it is a blessed and sweet privilege to work for the Saviour!

I take this method of thanking the Board for their help, and of saying that I appreciate it, and will pray the Lord to still bless and guide you.

JAMES MITCHELL.

DEATH DURING THE MEETING OF THE SYNOD OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN.

Rev. James D. Caldwell, of Cambridge, Texas, died suddenly in Austin, Texas, while attending the meeting of the Synod of Texas. The following is taken from a letter to the Board from Rev. Dr. Wright, of Austin, at whose house he died. May the Lord raise up others to take his place.

"I send you papers to-day, telling of the sudden death at our house of Brother James D. Caldwell of Cambridge, Texas, one of our noblest, truesthearted, and most useful young ministers. He was only violently ill two hours. Convulsion after convulsion until his heart was paralyzed. He had been complaining for twenty-four hours, and I had him come to my house, and I had a doctor look after him, but all supposed it to be only a bilious attack, and indeed medicine seemed to relieve him, and he was up and around until two hours before his death. His long ride of 370 miles, and especially the last 70 miles in the sun, on horseback, (for one horse gave out and he left his buggy behind) must have aggravated his trouble, and there were signs of a severe malarial fever. He wanted to start early on Monday, for he thought it would rain and there would be so many rivers to cross, but I told him he couldn't start till he was well.

"The Lord had but one river for the dear boy to cross, and I know the Saviour was with him there, though he was unconscious from the first, except for a moment, and died without a word concerning it. Yet he was ready."

HOME MISSION APPOINTMENTS IN OCTOBER, 1878.

Of the following, fourteen are Sustentation Pastorates.

- Of the following, fourteen Rev. N. B. Knapp, Hannibal, N. Y. Rev. L. R. Webber, Martinsburg, N. Y. Rev. C. W. MacCarthy, Constantia and Cleve-land, N. Y. Rev. S. W. Lindsley, Breesport, N. Y. Rev. S. W. Lindsley, Breesport, N. Y. Rev. C. J. Young, Yaphank, N. Y. Rev. P. M. McDonald, Reading, Mass. Rev. R. A. Blackford, Croton Falls, N. Y. Rev. A. C. Titus, Andover, N. Y. Rev. A. C. Titus, Andover, N. Y. Rev. H. P. V. Bogue, Avon, Central, N. Y. Rev. H. P. V. Bogue, Avon, Central, N. Y. Rev. H. P. V. Bogue, Avon, Central, N. Y. Rev. H. F. V. Bogue, Avon, Central, N. Y. Rev. H. E. Flickenger, Doe Run, Pa. Rev. M. C. Bailey, Middletown, Pa. Rev. M. C. Bailey, Middletown, Pa. Rev. W. Campbell, Bald Eagle, Pa. Rev. W. Campbell, Bald Eagle, Pa. Rev. W. M. Burchfield, Bethany and Penfield, Pa. Rev. J. S. Foulke, Northumberland, Pa. Rev. L. C. Rutter, Jr., Upper West Nottingham, Pa. Rev. Arthur Folsom, Hawley, Pa. Rev. M. Macnab Crowel And Pome Pa

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 Rev. C. V. McKaig, Bloomfield, Pa.
 Rev. N. B. C. Comingo, Mount Olive, Pa.
 Rev. J. S. Pomeroy, Moundsville, W. Va.
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 Rev. W. R. Frame, LaCrosse, North, Wis.
 Rev. E. W. Garner, Ishpenning, Mich.
 Rev. F. J. Stanley, Jordan and Belle Plain, Minn.

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RECEIPTS FOR HOME MIS ALBANY-Albany-Albany, State Street, 110 27; Carlisle, 635; Greenbush, 14 20; West Milton, 361; Ladies' Union Mission-School Association, 25. Columbia-Hillsdale, 6. Troy-Troy, Liberty Street, 1-25; Waterford, 1554. 182 22 BALTIMORE - Baltimore - Baltimore, West-minster, A member, 10; Ellicott's City, 65; Govane Chapel, 30 54; Pine Grove, 5. New Castle - Elkton, 3 33; Lower Brandywine, 6 52; White Clay Creek, 19 12. Washington Cty-Georgetown, West Street, Ladies' Socie-ty, 25; Hermon, 3 13; Vienna, 50 cts. add'l.; Washington First, Ladies' Society, 12 70; Washington First, Ladies' Society, 12 70; Washington, 4th, 75; Washington, Metropoli-tan, Ladies' Soc'y, 20; Washington, Western, Ladies' Soc'y, 20; Washington, Westminster, 25; Washing'n, East'n, Ladies' Soc, 7 50. 347 39 CENTRAL NEW YORK - Binghampton - Bing-hampton, North, 482. Olsego-Hamden, 3. St. Lawrence-Gouverneur, Ladies' Soc'y, .50; Syra-cuse-Cazenovia, Ladies' Soc'y, .10; Jamesville, 99 cts; Onondaga Valley, 6 49; Skaneateles, 100. Utica-Camden, 18; Williamstown, 5. 199 30 CINCINNATI - Cincinnati - Cincinnati, Mount Auburn, 100; Delhi, 50; Pleasant Ridge, Ladies' Soc'y, 47. Dayton-Dayton, 18; 33 17; Dayton

Сімстялат — Cincinnati — Cincinnati, Mount Auburn, 100; Delhi, 50; Pleasant Ridge, Ladies' Soc'y, 437. Dayton—Dayton, 1st, 33 17; Dayton, Memorial, (in part), 15; Somerville, 364. Ports-mouth—Ironton, I adies' Sociy, 100 — 306 18 CLEVELAND. — Cleveland—Cleveland, 1st, 82 95; Cleveland, Euclid Street, 74. Mahoning—East Palestine, 7 23; Youngstown, 1st, Ladies' Mis-sion Band, 50. St. Clairsville — Birmingham, 7 50. Steubenville—Bacon Ridge, 17 58; Miner-va. 5 50; Two Ridges, 12. _ 256 76 Cotosano—Colorado—Colorado Springs, (10 of Which a thank-offering, from a member of the

which a thank-offering, from a member of the Ladies' Mission'y Soc'y,) 68 71; Mrs.W. E. Ham-ilton, 5. Montana-Rev. J. D. Hewitt, 15. 88 71

COLUMBIA-Puget Sound-San Juan, 8. South Oregon-Eugene City, 20. 28 00 COLUMBUS-Marion-Cardington, 6. Zanesville

Dregon-Lugene City, 20. 28 00
 Cotuntse-Marion-Cardington, 6. Zanesville
 Brownsville, 35. 41 00
 Erne-Butter-Pleasant Valley, 14 65. Erie-Edinboro, 30; Erie, 1st, 30; North East, 28;
 Waterford, 6 81; Wattsburgh, 7 29. Shenango-Hopewell, 7; New Castle, 1st. Sab-sch., 12 60;
 Sharon, 1st, Ladies' Soc'y, 15 55. 151 90
 GENEVA-Cayuga-Auburn. 1st. 9 50; Ladies'
 Society, Aurora. 37 56; Cayuga, Ladies' Society, 7 32; Meridian, Ladies', Soc'y, 29 50. Geneva-Romulus, Sab-sch., 30. Steuben-Bath, Ladies'
 Soc'y, 100; Hornellsville, Lad. Soc'y, 30. 243 88
 HARMISBURGH-Cardisle-Carlisle, 1st, Ladies'
 Soc'y, 100; Hornellsville, Lad. Soc'y, 30. 243 88
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 HARMISBURGH-Cardisle-Carlisle, 1st, Matringdon -Duncansville, 1440; Penfield, 6; Spring Creek, 40 37; 1/2 Presbyterial Collection, 17 75. North-umberlaud-Williamsport, 1st, 30; Williamsport, 24; 24 75. Wellsboro-Wellsboro, (Sab-sch, 4 06)
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ILLINOIS, CENT.— Peoria — Lewistown, 37 89. Schuyler—Nauvoo, German, 2; Rushville, Sab-

Sch. 12 06. Trainie Dell, 17. Rock River — Canden, Sab-sch., 20; Newton, Sab-sch, 6 20; Spring Valley, 26, 20; Newton, Sab-sch, 6 20; Spring Valley, 5 60. 51 05

ILLINOIS, SOUTH -- Alton -- East St. Louis, (in part), 5; Greenfield, 10; Troy, 370; Virden, 1253. Cairo-Anna (Sab-sch. 1), 15. Mattoon--Neoga, 5 49. 51 72

Neoga, 5 49. 51 72 Ixplaxa, NorrH-Crawfordsville, Centre, La-dies' Soc'y., 15 75; Dayton, 22; Delphi, Sab-sch., 12 10. Logaasport-Kentland, 4; Plymouth, 150. Munzie-Union City, 5; Wabash, (39 12 of which from Ladies' Soc'y.), 46 81. 107 16 Ixplaxa, SorrH-Induaapolis-Columbus, 5. New Albany-Livonia, 7 75. 12 75 Iowa, NorrH-Cedar Rapids, Cedar Rapids, 154, 604 91; Richland Centre, 4 30. Dubugue-Dubuque, German, 8; McGregor, German, and

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Sab-sch., 5; Rowley. 2. Fort Dodge-Pomeroy, 3; Sioux City, 15; Wheatland, Ger, 3 50. 645 71 Iowa, Sourn-Council Bluffs-College Springs, 190. Iowa-Fairfield, 15; Keokuk, Westmin-ster, (Sub-sch, 40), 70; Kossuth, 1st, 10 27. Iowa City-Montezuma, 10. 107 17 KANSAS-Emporia-Wichita (Quar. coll.) 15 56. Solomon-Hays City, 3 60; Jewell Centre, 4; Provi-dence, 4; Victoria, 575. Topeka-Perry, 70. 40 11 KENTUCKY - Louisville - Elizabethtown, 5; Louisville, College Street, 60 35; Penn Run, 4; Plum Creek, 5; Shelbyville, 1st, 93 05. 167 40 Long IstAND-Brooklym-Brooklyn, 1st, Henry Street, (20 01 of which mon. con. collection),

Long IstAND—Brooklyn—Brooklyn, 1st, Henry Street, (29 04 of which mon. con. collection), 279 04; Brooklyn, Franklin Avenue. 19 50; Brooklyn, Throop Avenue, (7 75 of which from "Family Miss'y. Box"), 41 62; Brooklyn, West-minster. 176 50; Edgewater, 1st, 258 43. Long Island—Setauket, (Sab-sch., 2), 17. Nassau– Christian Hook, 5; E. Williamsburgh, 10. 807 09 Micuigan — Detroit — Detroit. Westminster, 10 ft. Verilenti 100 Crond Benide Frant 2. Lag

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Oscoda, 4 60; Emerson, 10; Ithaca, 5 50; Pine River, 2d, 1. 182 35 MINNESOTA-Mankato-St. Peter's Ladies' Soc., 6 33. St. Paul-Dundas, 2 50; Forest, 2 50; Red Wing, Ladies' Soc'y., 40; St. Paul, House of Hope, 43 50 Winona-Ebenezer, 3 50. 98 33 Missouri-Palanyra-Hannibal, 1st, 25; New Cambria, 2 50. Platte-Maryville, 10 37 50 NEWAREAY-Kearney-Red Cloud, 3. 3 00 NEW JERSY-Elizabeth-Elizabeth. Oscillation Ster, 10, 12 70; Westfield, 55 24. Jersey City -Paterson, Broadway, (Ladies' Soc'y., 2 74), 974; Rutherford Park, 9 83. Monmouth-Eng-lishtown, Sab-sch. 4 81; Farmingdale. 5; Monnt Holly, Ladies' Society, 15; Platts-burgh, Ladies' Soc'y., 1. Morris and Orange -Morristown, 1st, additional. 20; Morristowr, South Street, 604 08; South Orange, (15 o. which from Miss Brown's Sab-sch. Class), 150. Newark-Mountelair, 147; Newark, 2d, 32 83; Newark. Central, Sab-sch. 75; Newark, Park, 17 43; Woodside, 10. New Branswick--Amwell, 1st, 7 15; Stockton, 5 50; Trenton, Prospect Street. 27 51. Newton-Belvidere, 13, 90; New York-Hudson-Montgomery, 5; Nyack,

8 12; Blairstown, Ladies' Soe'y, 20; La Fayette.
2 00.
NEW YORK—Hudson—Montgomery, 85; Nyack,
19 14; Palisades, 15; Ridgebury, 2 50; Stony
Point, 8 60; West Town, 26 60. New York—New
York, Fourth Avenue, 68 45; Immanuel Chapel,
5 93. North River—Bethlehem, 15; Highland
Falls, Sab-sch, 9; Poughkeepsie, Ladies' Soc'y,
125. Westchester—Greenburgh, 95 25; Hartford,
1st. (in part), 100; Stamford, 362 92.
935 39
PACIFIC.—Benicia—Clear Lake, 2d, 15. Sacramento—Merced, 14. San Francisco—Danville,
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 39 (0) PHLADELPHIA-Chester-Doe Run, 6; Honey Brook, 137 20; Media, 3 94. Lackawana-Bar-elay, 8; Montrose, 75; Rome, 3; Wilkesbarre, 1st, 175 65; Wilkesbarre, Memorial. (Sab-sch. 60), 70 50. Lehigh-Summit Hill, (Jamestown, Sab-sch, 1 14) 8 23. Philadelphia, Central-Phila-delphia, North, 70 30. Phila, North-Norris-town, 1st. 80 65; Norristown, Central, 109 65. Westminster-Slateville, 13; Rev. W. B. Brown, 250. 764 62 12 50.

PITTSBURGH-Blairsville-Pine Run, 13; Unity, (Sab-sch., 6 mos. penny collections), 16 25. Pitts-(Sab-sch., 6 mos. penny collections), 16 25. Pitts-burgh—East Liberty, 34; Homestead 4; Leba-non, 17 54; Pittsburgh, 24, 23 75; Pittsburgh, 3rd, 91 82; Pittsburgh, Grace, 3; Pittsburgh, Shady Side, 37 59. Redstone–Laurel Hill, La-dies' Soc'y., 20 55. Washington—Cross Creek. 37; Cross Roads, Ladies' Soc'y., 20; New Cum-berland, 53; Washington, 1st, 25 27. West Vir-gunia—Newburgh, (Ladies' Soc'y., 7 50), 10; Seotch Hill, (Ladies' Soc'y., 7 50), 10; Sisters-ville, Sab-sch. 6. 422 77 ville, Sab-sch., 6.

TEXAS. — Trinity — Bosque, 1; Stephensville, 135; Wills' Point, 5. 7 35

To Epo — Bellefontaine — Bellefontaine, 5 25; West Liberty, 1 27. Huron—Fremont 10; Mel-more, 4 50; McCutcheonville, 4 50. Lima—Lima,

more, 4 50; McCutcheonville, 4 50. Lima—Lima, 24 25. 49 77 WESTERN NEW YORK—Buffalo—Buffalo. Calvary, 17 25; Buffalo. Westminster, 41 66; Fredonia, 39; Lancaster, Ladies' Soc'y. 30. Genesse Val-ley—Almond, Band of Willing Workers, 10; Centreville, 15; Rushford, 20. Niagara—Lock-port, 1st, Sab-sch 125. Rochester—Caledonia, 45; Lima, 739; Mount Morris, 21 31; Ogden, 893; Rochester, 1st, Ladies' Soc'y. 50; Roches-ter, Calvary, Ladies' Soc'y. 25; Rochester, St. Peters', 32 75; Sweden, 12 40. 500 69 Wisconsin—Chippewa—La Crosse, 1st, 35 cts. Lake Superior—Menomonee, 20. Miwaukee— Beloit, German, 1; Ottawa, 168 Wisconsin River—Fancy Creek, 4; Packwaukee, 2; Rich-land City, Sab-sch., 5; Westfield, 3. 37 03

Total received from churches.......\$8 556 27

LEGACIES.

Legacy of Mrs. Eleanor Cook, dec'd., Legacy of Mrs. Eleanor Cook, dec'd., late of Newport, O., 400 (ad'l); Legacy of David Culbertson, dec'd., late of Wash-ton Co., Pa, 50; Legacy of Amos Smith, dec'd., late of Lebanon, Ohio, 2,424 12 (add'l); Legacy of Mrs. Ann Libbi Schoe-fer, late of Carlisle Station, Ohio, 33 33; Legacy of Mrs. Eliza Hills, dec'd., late of Windham, N. H., 1,000.......\$3,907 45

MISCELLANEOUS.

From a friend, through S. B. Strong, 5; Mrs Mary J. Worth, Greenport, N. Y. 10; Rev. Joseph Platt, Kansas City, Mo., 5; Mr. George Hubbell, dec'd., Phelps. N. Y., 25; "R," 1; Rev. S. C. Kerr, Red Oak, Ohio, 10; "A Friend of Missions," 5; Mrs. Mary and Mrs. M.

L. Tannant, Peekskill, N. Y., 5; Mrs. C. E. Kaereher, Preston, N. Y., 3; 'A. B. K.,"3; Rev. A G. Russell, Oyster Bay, N. Y., 5; Eliza Gordon Kellogr, Iowa, 1; Mrs. Caroline P. Stokes, N. Y. City, 100; "F. B.,"10; "Cash," 10; "Mrs. C. P., through the Presbyterian, 4; "A lady of the Presbyterian, 4; "Iseast Bloomfield Congregational Church I. Bloomfield Congregational Church, La-Biomnella Congregational Church, La-dies' Home Missionary Society, 42 25; "Interest on John C. Green-Fund, 1,-750; Interest on Legacy of Eliza Smith, dec'd, late of Utica, N. Y., 16; Interest on Bond & Mortgage on Philadelphia Descent Con Property, 600.

Total in October, 1878......\$15,074 97

CLOTHING.

- 1 Box from Ladies Sewing Soc'y,
- N. Y..... 85 00

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RECEIPTS FOR SUSTENTATION.

ALBANY—Albany—Albany, State Street, 27 38; Troy—Waterford, 28 63. 56 01 BALTIMORE—Baltimore—Govane Chapel. 9 28 CENTRAL New YORK — Binghampton — Bing-hampton, North, 1 19; McGrawville, 6. Sura-cuse—Amboy, 7; Jamesville, 24 ets. Utica— Oneida, 20 31. 31 74

CINCINATION Cincinnation Wyoming. 28 67 CLEVELAND - Cleveland - Cleveland, 1st. 20 58; Cleveland, Euclid Street, 18 37. Mahoning-Youngstown, 1st, 15 79. Steubenville-Steubenville, Old, 5. 59 74

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COLUNEUS--Wooster-Apple Creek. 6 31
GENEVA-Cayuga-Aurora. 11 27
HARRISEURGI-Carlisle-Dauphin, 6: Harrisburgh, Pine Street, 82 58; McConnellsburgh, 299; "R. & R." 1 53. Huntingdon-Spring Creek
4 75. Northumberland-Williamsport, 2d, 3 82.
Wellsboro-Wellsboro, 183.
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37 cts

IOWA SOUTH - Iowa-Keokuk, Westminster,

744; Kossuth. 130. Reokuk, Westminster, 745; Kossuth. 130. 874 KENTUCKY-Louisville-Shelbyville, 1st. 15 50 Loss IsLAND – Brooklyn – Franklin Avenue, 19 50; South 3d Street, 19 62. Nassau–Freeport, 3.90. 43 02

MICHIGAN — Detroit — Detroit. Fort Street, 44 57; Detroit, Westminster, 10 12. Lansing

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West Town, 6 10. New York - Fourth, 23 86 Fourth Avenue, 17. Westchester-Greenburg 19 53.

19 54. 70 89
PHILADELPHIA—Chester—Media, 98 cts.; West-chester, 23 53. Lackawanna—Wilkesbarre, 1st, 92 70; Sammit Hill, (Jåmestown, Sab-sch., 28 ets.), 2 03. Philadelphia—Teath Ch., Sab-sch., 15 91. Philadelphia Central—North, 25 29. West-minster—State ville, 7 70. 168 05
PITTSBURGH—Blairseille-Greensburg, Sab-sch., 34 55. Pittsburgh—2d. 475; Shady Side, 18 80; East Liberty, 34; Lebanon, 12. Mashington— Washington, 1st 6 31. 10 42
Totepo-Bellefontaine—West Liberty. 32 cts

ToLEDO - Bellefontaine-West Liberty. 32 cts WESTERN NEW YORK-Buffalo-Buffalo, West-minster, 1034. Rochester-Lima, 183; Ogden, 2 21; Mt. Morris, 6 35; Central, 4 54; St. Peter's, 7 80. 33 07

WISCONSIN-Milwaukee-Ottawa. 41 cts

Total in October, 1878\$857 82

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BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest

THAT HE WOULD SEND FORTH LABORERS INTO HIS HARVEST .-- Luke x. 2.

REVIEW OF PROFESSORS' REPORTS.

That the church may understand what sort of students it is aiding through the Board of Education, we here give a resumé of the reports sent in respecting them from the institutions where they are studying. We have the right to believe that the representations given are as reliable as such things can be among fallible men—that they are honest and candid, and may be taken as a fair exhibit of the facts in the case. The Professors in our institutions are among the best men we have in the church; and if, as a general rule, they cannot be trusted in the statements they make, it will be fair to inquire whom can we trust? Is there reason for trusting any one else? We are disposed to ask this the more, in view of the anonymous flings which have from time to time appeared against the general character of our students in the ministry. That there may be instances of unworthy conduct among them we do not doubt. But these can no more be taken as indicating the character of the whole body of them, than the incidental lapses from honesiy among business men can be taken as proofs of a universal fraudulency. All careful inquiry shows that our students as a class are worthy of as much confidence as any students ever wereand promise as well for the church.

The Reports touch five points—" Christian character," "Scholarship," "Rhetorical ability," "Punctuality," and "Economy." Only three of these can be fairly graded, Scholarship, Rhetorical ability and Punctuality. Opinions on other points are given in general terms, such as "High," "Good," "Unexceptionable," "Fair," and the like. In regard to students just entering on this course, of course no definite statements could be made on these points, and in many cases no report is made on them in consequence. Information is given only so far as known. Of one only have we received disparaging criticism that calls for attention. The rest are all commended in various degrees, and many with marked approval. Some of these commendations we give below. Scholarship is the only point we have summarized. Of the 363 thus far reported, 131 are marked High; 87, above Medium; 108, Medium; 16, below Medium, and 21, Low. This is a marked improvement on the summary of a year ago. In regard to two of those marked *low* we have been told that their fidelity and general abilities and Christian character promised a usefulness which warranted aid. Defects in other cases are attributed to scanty preparation.

In addition to these general statements specific encomiums have been added to several. From a very critical Professor, "—— 64th in a class of 124; but he carried off the first prizes in oratory and composition at Commencement; came up from being a porter in —— and has a commanding religious influence. I think him well worthy of aid."

— 60th in a class of 124; high in oratory, in Christian character and religious influence.

From another in regard to these students.

"The standing of the above students is very good indeed. They are very promising young men. —— has worked his way up from the humblest walks of life and has won the confidence of all who know him by his straightforward piety and Christian zeal. —— is the son of one of our ministers, and quite a promising boy. No person will ever have reason to regret the aid extended to these young men."

From another in regard to two students, one marked High and the other above Medium—" in earnest Christian piety and in trustworthiness they excel any young men I ever had before under my charge."

From another, "—— gives every promise of good usefulness as a minister of the gospel. He is considered the best speaker in college; was our representative at the late Inter-collegiate contest in oratory. He is in needy circumstances."

From another—" Messrs. — and — maintain their former high standing in every particular. Mr. — came here with preparation very imperfect; but he is now rising rapidly in scholarship. He is a young man of fine natural ability."

From another. "It gives me sincere pleasure to say in behalf of our Faculty that Mr. —— is regarded here as a decidedly promising candidate for the gospel ministry."

From another. "The above-named student has by his energy and success as a student, endeared himself to the Faculty of this college, and as a Christian gentleman, we deem him worthy of any benefaction the Church may see fit to make him."

These testimonials might be multiplied. In view of them all we can assure the churches that the money contributed to the Board of Education, so far from being wasted, is bound to yield large interest.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Board of Education would hereby announce to the Presbyterial Committees on Education and to the Students under its care, that in its endeavors to aid our candidates it determines to abide by the effort heretofore made to raise and forward the full amount of the appropriations allowed by the General Assembly. These sums are no more than are needed; and to think of raising less is to lower the right standard up to which the churches ought to come, and to weaken our cause. *Nevertheless it must be distinctly understood* that the Board adheres to its resolution to avoid debt as much as possible, and holds out no encouragement that it will pay the appropriations by borrowing funds. It promises to pay out only what the churches put into its treasury. If there be a failure, the responsibility must rest with the non-contributors.

In this renewed endeavor to carry out its much needed work, the Board asks the special assistance of the Presbyterial committees appointed to act with it. They are our only agents, and on their fidelity and zeal much depends. Also it begs a word of incentive and encouragement from our "able Editors," whose words are so potent in helping every right cause in our church. One peal from their organs would be worth a hundred appeals from ordinary sources. Could but a united and suitable effort be made surely we shall be able to avoid any further deficiencies, and preclude the necessity of taxing our already overburdened Professors with supplying the Board's lack out of their private funds. Indeed, so heavy were the obligations they incurred last year, that it will be impossible to count on their coming to the rescue again. If the 4th appropriation fails, our students at Biddle and Lincoln and Howard Universities, also

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those at Bloomfield and Dubuque German schools, not to mention others, will be obliged to leave in mid-term. Oh would that our churches could see what mischiefs are done to a good cause from their withholding their trifles; and would that those well-meaning men who sometimes give us their "plain talks" in public, "not knowing what they say or whereof they affirm," could see the injury inflicted on the church by their random statements, and turn about and give us some "kind talks" and "cheering words." The Board is made up of honorable men who are attending very closely to their duty and deserve confidence. D. W. POOR.

QUERY?

Is it not fair to ask whether a will containing bequests to Home and Foreign Missions, to Church Erection, and Publication, and none to Ministerial Education, may not be invalidated on the score of the manifest insanity of the Testator? How are missions possible unless there be men to be commissioned? or of what use are churches unless there be ministers to fill the pulpits? Is it not as reasonable to expect that churches and edifices will spring up without aid as that ministers will? Does not the same law pervade all parts of our ecclesiastical system, that "the whole body increases by that which every joint supplieth according to the effectual working in the measure of every part?" and in this body is not the ministry a most important part? And is it any more a disparaging charity to help a worthy man into the ministry when he finds he cannot study as he ought and support himself too, than it is to help a church to support him after he has been ordained and when he finds he cannot preach as he ought and support himself too? These are some of the questions which force themselves upon our thought as we look at the lists of bequests and church contributions.

A SYNODICAL SCENE.

At one of the Synods this fall a motion was made and carried that all those who had been aided by the Board of Education rise; and when they stood up and looked each other in the face it was plain that no one of them was ashamed of his company-nor was the Secretary. And we venture to say that a like fair show could be made in favor of the Board's work in every Synod of our Church.

RECEIPTS FOR EDUCATION IN OCTOBER, 1878.

ALBANY—Albany, State Street, 30 74; Esperance, 3 60; Northville, 1. Champlain— Chateaugay, 4; Plattsburg, from a member, 10. Troy—Waterford, 49 71. 99 05 ATLANTIC—Catawba—Philadelphia. 1 35 BALTIMORE—New Castle—Elkton, 6 66; Green Hill, 8; Newark, 12; Port Penn, 11 07. Wash-ington City—Darnestown, 5; Lewinsville, .55; Vienna, 1 75; Washington, Metropolitan Ladies? Soc'y, 10; Washington, Zion, German, 1 70 56 73

CENTRAL NEW YOEK — Binghampton — Bing-hampton, North, 136; Cannonsville, 5; Smithville Flats, 8; Windsor, 6 50. Otsego — Richfield Springs, 8. Syracuse — Amboy, 9; Constantia, 234; Jamesville, 27 cts.; Syracuse, Park, Cen-tral. (Sab-sch. 7) 60. Utica — Augusta, 3; Hol-land Patent, 6 30; Vernon Centre, 7. 116 77 CINCINNATI — Chillicothe — Salem, South, 10. Cincinnati — Cumminsville, 10; Montgomery, 12; Pleasant Run, 4; Wvoming, 37 16. Daylon — Somerville, 1 50. Portsmouth — Manchester, 7; Red Oak, 3. 84 66 56 73

CLEVELAND-Cleveland – Akron, 5 60; Cleve-laud, 1st, 23 13; Cleveland, Euclid Street, 20 63. Mahoning-Clarkson, 1 50; Leetonia. 5; New-ton Falls, 2 58; Poland 9 18. St. Chairsville-Cambridge, 20; Mount Pleasant. 8 85. Steuben-ville-Carrollton, 8 90; Steubenville, 40. 145 37 Cotursus-Columbus-Groveport, 2. Marion -Berlin, West, 2 14; Brown, 3; Liberty, 5; Os-trander, 7 20; Providence, 1 15. Woster-Apple Creek, 1 57; Ashland, 26 92; Belleville, 405; Bethel, 2 70; Chippewa, 6 50; Clear Fork, 1 75; Holmesville. 278; Crange, 4 40; West Salem, 2. Zanesville.-Clark, 5; Coshocton, 14 13; Chandler-ville, 7; Duncan's Falls, 5 21; Martinsburgh, 4 29. 108 70 4 29. 108

4 29. Ent - Allegheny - Bakerstown, 10 60: Bull Creek, 5; Concord, 1 55; Freedom, 4 30; Hiland,
4; Sewickley, 37. Butter-Amity, 14; Clinton-ville, 15; Sunbury, West, 6. Clarion - Brook-ville, 4 25; Clarion, 9 50; Ridgway, 3 63; Sligo,
12; St. Petersburgh, 10. Erie-Edinboro, 20; Girard, 6. Kittanning-Apollo, 29; Elderton, 15; Rayne, 4. Shenango-Westfield, 17. 228 23

GENEVA-Cayuga - Aurora, 11 27. Geneva-Manchester, 6; Waterloo, 65; West Fayette, 4 24. Lyons-Huron 2. 88 51

4 24 Lyons-Huron 2. 88 51 HARRISBURGH-Carlisle-Dauphin, 6; Dickin-son, 6; Gettysburgh, 5; Middle Spring, 35; Paxton, 13 50; Petersburgh, 2; Shippensburgh, 19; St. Thomas, 2 65; Strasburg, 4 25; Rocky Spring, 2 75. Huntingdon - Alexandria, 24; Spring Creek, 9 41. Northumberland-Williams-port, 1st, 10; Williamsport, 2d, 8 30. Wellsboro -Wellsboro, 2 06. 150 01 LULYON CENTRAL-Ricomington-Ricomington

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ILLINDIS, NORTH. — Chicago—Will, 3. Freeport — Freeport, 3rd German. 4; Woodstock, 20. Ottawa—Aurora, 5 31; Earlville, 5; Oswego, 2 69. Rock River—Canden, 2 94; Princeton, (Sab-sch 300), 9; Woodhull (Sal-sch., 2), 10. 61 94 ILLINDIS. SOUTH. — Alton — Butler, 8; Plum Greek, 4; Salem, German, 6; Troy, 103; Virden, 53. Cuiro — Allendale, 1 60; Bridgeport, 5; Centralia, 5 90; Friendsville, 8 40; Galum, 305; Gilead, 1 78; Pisgah, 11; Richland, 237; Sum-ner, 3; Uniou, 4; Wabash, 235. Mattoon— Neoga, 1 54; Vandalia, 438. 76 93 INDIANA, North.—Crawfordsville—Bethel, 3; Crawfordsville, 1st, 11; Delphi, 7 35; Newtown, 3 50. Fort Waume—La Grange, 9; Pierceton, 3. Logansport—Bourbon 2; Plymouth, 42 ets; Ro-

Logansport-Bourbon 2; Plymouth, 42 ets; Ro-chester, 1 56. Muncie-New Cumberland, 1; chester, 1 56. 43 55 Wabash, 1 72.

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Total receipts from churches.......\$3,697 07

LEGACIES.

Bequest of Ann Libbie Schoefer, late of Carlisle, Pa., \$33 33. Bequest of Charles Wright, late of Canton Church, Canton, Pa., 450 00.

REFUNDED.

"W. J. A.," 30; Rev. "G. F. F.," 48. 78 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

J. W. Scott, Phila., 30; Synod of New York, Welsh Calvinistic Methodist Ch., 15; W. Huey, Vincennes, Ind., 15 50; a thank-offering in gold, "O. H. H.," 3; Rev. Geo. Robinson, Fort Buford, Dako-tah Territory, 15. 78 50

Total receipts in October\$4,336 90

E. G. WOODWARD, Treasurer, 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

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> REV. D. W. POOR, D. D. Corresponding Secretary.

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BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

NOTICES OF MISSIONARIES.—The Rev. George H. Ferris and his wife embarked on the 6th of November for the Kolapore Mission, India. Mr. Ferris is a graduate of the Auburn Theological Seminary, and a member of the Presbytery of Monroe. Mrs. Ferris is a member of one of the churches in Auburn, N. Y. The Rev. Robert C. McGee and his wife have been appointed to the Creek Mission, upon the recommendation of the Presbytery of Neosho, of which Mr. McGee is a member; he is a graduate of the Danville Theological Seminary. The Rev. A. W. Loomis, D.D., and his wife have reached San Francisco, to resume their work for the Chinese. The health of Mrs. Loomis has received much benefit during their absence. The Rev. Charles B. Newton and his family embarked for India on the 24th of October, returning to their station at Lahore, with health much improved. The arrival out is reported of the Rev. Messrs Eddy and March, of the Syria Mission.

ADDED TO THE CHURCH.-To three of the churches in Japan, eleven, five, and nineteen new communicants, respectively, are reported; ten adults were baptized at a place 35 miles from Yedo, and the same number at another place not distant from that city. In these latter places, churches will probably soon be organized. Most of these new members were admitted under the work of native ministers. Twelve new communicants are reported by the church of Yuyiao, China; "several" by churches in Sanpoh; two, at Chefoo; and six, by the Second church of Canton. Five new communicants were received by the church of Hoshvarpore, India-one of them an elderly man of large influence as the head of a sect. Our esteemed native missionary, the Rev. K. C. Chatterjee, reports these hopeful conversions with devout thankfulness. Three new communicants are reported by the church of Zahleh, Syria, making sixteen since the year began; and three and two, respectively, near Sidonmaking eleven thus far received in the year by the church of Sidon. One new communicant received by the church of Monrovia, Africa; four, at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; and nine, on a preaching tour from Monterey, Mexico : these complete the encouraging returns for this month.

CHURCH ORGANIZED at Hogo, in a part of Yedo, Japan, distant from the other churches, of twenty communicants bringing letters of dismission from other churches. Others are expected soon to unite with this church on profession of their faith.

ORDINATION reported, of two native licentiate preachers in Japan, both of whom were installed as pastors of two churches each.

CHIPPEWA OUT STATION .- The Rev. I. Baird mentions that a native

assistant and his wife have been stationed on the Lac Courte Oreille reservation, about 130 miles from Odanah, a place by no means easy of access, as Mr. Baird's fatiguing journeys have shown. The young man stationed there has been several years under training; he will teach school, and try in various ways to benefit his people, by whom his arrival is welcomed.

LETTERS RECEIVED TO NOVEMBER 15TH.—From the Seneca Mission, October 19th; Chippewa, October 28th; Omaha, October 2d; Dakota, October 10th; Creek, October 15th; Seminole, November 4th; Sacramento, October 21st; San Francisco, November 7th; Yokohama. October 10th; Yedo, October 10th; Tungchow, September 14th; Chefoo, August 22d; Hangchow, August 29th; Suchow, September 4th; Ningpo, October 1st; Shanghai, October 2d; Canton, September 6th; Petchaburi, August 14th; Chiengmai, July 23d; Mynpurie, October 5th; Saharunpur, September 10th; Ambala, September 10th; Lahore, October 10th; Rawal Pindi, September 5th; Kolapore, October 14th; Ratnagiri, September 8th; Teheran, October 1st; Oroomiah, October 2d; Zahleh, October 13th; Shemlan, October 22d; Monrovia, October 1st; Gaboon, August 10th; Rio de Janeiro, October 5th; Rio Claro, September 29th; Valparaiso, September 11th; San Felipe, August 26th; Bogota, September 23d; Monterey, October 22d.

Receipts: May-October.

| From Churches. | Individual Donors. | Legacies. | Total. |
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| 1878. \$55,638, | \$9,328, | \$11,870, | \$76,837. |
| 1877. 54,756, | 5,753, | 12,498 | 73,008. |

MISSION FIELDS.-V.

In these slight papers, our aim has been to mention a few things that may be of use to keep our mission fields before the minds of our readers. No regular historical notices could be inserted in our brief space, but these short notes may serve to show that the Lord is giving our Church a great work to do for His name and for the salvation of the unevangelized. It may further serve this end if we look at these mission fields as arranged under different points of view.

I. The tribes and nations to whom we are trying to preach the Gospel :

1st. The American Indians-Senecas, Chippewas, Omahas, Dakotahs, Creeks, Seminoles, and Nez Perces.

- 2d. The Chinese in this country and in China.
- 3d. The Japanese.
- 4th. The Siamese and Laos.
- 5th. The Hindus.
- 6th. The Persians.
- 7th. The Syrians, and other Arabic speaking people.
- 8th. The Africans in Liberia and in the regions of the Equator, on the west coast, and thence to the inhabitants of the interior.
- 9th. The people of Brazil, Chili, United States of Colombia, and Mexico.

10th. The people of Belgium, France and Italy.

II A Vast Population. Our Indian Missions connect us with but a few score thousand souls; if not counted by large figures, yet they are nearest to us, and have special claims upon us. Our Chinese Missions are amongst one-third part of the inhabitants of the world,—about 400,000,000. In Japan we count 30,000,000; in Siam and the Laos country, 8,000,000; in India, over 200,000,000; in Persia, 6,500,000; in Syria, and the Arabic speaking races thence reached, probably 100,000,000; in Western Africa, and the interior people thence reached, probably 35,000,000; in Brazil, 10,000,000; in Chili, 2,500,000; in United States of Colombia, 3,000,000; in Mexico, 9,500,000; in Belgium, France and Italy, 55,000,000; —in all, not less than 860,000,000, or two-thirds of the human family, and twenty times more in number than the population of our country.

III. The sad array of false religions: 1st. Paganism, under various forms, such as Budhism, Shintooism, Confucianism, Tauism, Brahmanism, Fetichism; 2d. Mohammedanism; 3d. Erroneous nominal Christianity— Nestorian, Armenian, and especially Roman. These religions are of hoary age, and they are strongly entrenched in the social life and the business interests of their adherents. Some of them are upheld by large numbers of able men in the priesthood.

IV. The work to be done. As we consider these vast populations, and these long-cherished religious systems, all in full sympathy with what is erroneous and deeply implanted in our fallen nature, we cannot but be appalled at the greatness of the work set before the Church. It is that of preaching the gospel to every creature amongst them all. It is that of revolutionizing, overthrowing, destroying all these systems of error. It is that of setting up the kingdom of righteousness and peace amongst all these ignorant and depraved millions of our lost fellow-men. What Missionary Board,—rather what Christian Church, is sufficient for this work? We rejoice, indeed, that our Christian brethren of nearly all other evangelical churches are engaged in these same evangelizing labors; but the laborers of all are truly few, while the harvest is great. "Pray ye, therefore."

V. Our part of the work. There is one further remark, as we look on these mission fields in connection with our Board of Missions. We believe some Missionary Boards can report a much larger number of missionaries than ours, and a much greater amount of funds expended in the support of their missions,—especially two or three in Great Britain, and perhaps one in this country; but we do not know any that has so great an array of missions. And it is in connection with this statement that our last remark is offered. If some should think our foreign missionary work is too widely extended, that as a Church we have entered into too many fields, that we are not equal to so vast an enterprise, then we wish to say this—that we seem to have been led by Providence to engage in all this work.

This is a large subject, but we may say in a few words that the late Old School Board, under its wise and able administration, was led from small and humble beginnings to enter into many of these mission fields—the Indian, Japanese, Chinese, Siamese and Laos, Hindu, African, South American, and European. Then at Re-union, as was every way right, important additional missionary fields—several of them after long and efficient cultivation—were placed side by side with those just referred to; these were Indian, African, Syrian, Persian, Chinese, South American and

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Mexican. The missions were, in some cases, consolidated; and in other cases, the missionary force was increased; and so we now see the great work which God is setting before us as a part of the Church of Christ,—set before us by Divine Providence.

Is the work too great for us? Yes, if we have not faith in God and His almighty grace. No, surely no, if our Saviour is going before us and calling us to follow Him as our Leader.

U. S. INDIAN AGENCIES AND MISSIONARY BOARDS.

In 1870, several of the Missionary Boards were requested by the Secretary of the Department of the Interior to send in nominations of Agents for certain Indian Agencies, with the understanding that their nominees should be appointed. The Boards, respectively, complied with this request, in the hope of securing upright and benevolent men for these posts. pecuniary advantage accrued to these Boards nor to their usual missionary work from this arrangement. As its result, while some errors and mistakes have no doubt been made in selecting men for nomination, yet a great improvement has been effected in the general conduct of the Agencies, as compared with the state of things formerly too prevalent. This arrangement, moreover, has secured the confidence of large numbers of our best citizens, without respect to denominational or political distinctions. They would regret to see it abandoned. They regard it as a happy method of securing good men for the service; one admitted to be an exception to the usual practice of appointments to public office, yet an exception justified by the peculiar nature of the duties required, involving as these do both business and benevolent qualifications on the part of the Agents. This plan was intended also to secure a greater interest in the welfare of the Indians amongst all humane people, and it has no doubt been successful in this respect. It would be expedient, however, to have a more equable apportionment of the Agencies; some denominations not being represented.

Any changes in the administration of this plan would be regarded with concern by many, if thereby appointments were made to Indian Agencies without the nomination of the Missionary Boards, while yet these Boards are held responsible for them. It is important to recall attention to the first basis of this arrangement, therefore, as the only one upon which these Boards can stand. The right of the Department to remove any Agent appointed upon their recommendation must be fully conceded. The Agents are officers of the Government, not of the Boards, and should take the risk of removal, very much as do other officers; though it is desirable that they should hold their appointment, if they are capable men, during good behaviour Their best influence on the Indians depends much on their being long and well acquainted with them; frequent changes are injurious. But when it is proposed to remove any Agent, if it be for reasons affecting his moral character, opportunity should be afforded to him of being first heard by the Department. This should be the rule for reasons of common fairness, but especially because in the vicinity of most Indian Agencies there are men destitute of principle, who do not hesitate to make false accusations against any Agent who refuses to comply with their demands. This is true also, and far too often, in connection with the receiving and distributing of Indian supplies. The views thus summarily stated are considered of great importance to the best, indeed to the continued, working of the joint plan in use for the last eight years.

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PROPOSED TRANSFER OF THE INDIAN BUREAU.

It is well known that vigorous efforts are in progress to transfer the Indian Bureau to the War Department. This transfer does not contemplate doing away with the system of Reservations and of Indian Agents, but the latter would be officers of the army—at least for a time. It is understood that the Roman Catholics generally favor this transfer. Many officers of the army advocate it. But the strength of the plea for it lies, if we do not misjudge, in the disposition of so many of our people to regard public offices as rewards of political services, or as posts to be obtained by personal favoritism. Though army officers might at first be detailed to act as Indian Agents, if the transfer were made, it would not be long probably until the usual political methods would be in practical operation, as we understand was the case when the Bureau was formerly under the Department of War.

As to the Roman Catholics, we think they might well be content with existing arrangements; they have already more than their proper share of government influence in Indian matters. Their proceedings always look to the prevalence of their ritualistic ideas of religion, and seldom to the promotion of education and the arts of industry—as witness their one hundred years' connection with the Chippewas and other tribes. They might, however, be disappointed in their hopes of using army officers for their purposes. That these respected officers should advocate this transfer is a cause of some surprise, seeing that their special training does not well qualify them for work in the agricultural, educational, and otherwise varied, services that must be rendered in these agencies.

We think this Bureau ought to remain under civil administration, and not military. If it could be made a Department, instead of a Bureau, and so its affairs be conducted under the supervision of the Cabinet and under the eye of the Country, we should hope for the best results. But we are prepared to welcome any method by which upright and benevolent men shall be placed in charge of these Indian Agencies. The religious denominations might indeed demur to the plan adopted of late years, of their nominating men to these agencies, on the ground that it subjects them to reproach, if one of their nominees should prove to be an unworthy man; but with proper care this will seldom occur; and when it does, it will soon be remedied. No plan is free from difficulties, but we act on the line of probability; and we think the experience of the last eight years justifies good hopes for the future, if the existing arrangement can still go on as a non-party measure. But we do not enter here at any length on the subject of the proposed transfer, nor are these remarks made at all upon any political grounds. It is for its bearing on the welfare of the Indians, and in certain respects on the progress of our missionary work among them, that we respectfully ask the attention of our readers to this question. We trust their influence may be exerted to secure its wise adjustment.

GOOD ACCOUNTS FROM ZAHLEH, SYRIA.

The pleasing intelligence of additions to the Church of Zahleh, Mt. Lebanon, and of a new chapel at a village in the vicinity of Zahleh, will be found in the letter of the Rev. Gerald Dale, Jr, of October 13th, 1878, here inserted in full.

Yesterday was communion in Zahleh, and three persons united with the

church, making sixteen who have made a public profession of religion since the beginning of the year, One was a soldier. He appeared in full uniform, and attracted much attention as he arose to give assent to the Confession of Faith. It seems that the father of this man was a merchant, and in travelling to sell his goods, more than fifteen years ago, secured a Testament which he carried to his home. The father died, and the Testament was hidden away among old papers and entirely forgotten. But a short time ago the soldier discovered the forgotten treasure, and began to study it, and also to attend the Mission services. And it was not long before there was a complete change in the man. Although he had been one of the most daring and wicked men in Zahleh, he became a gentle and consistent follower of the Lord Jesus. Another was a young man of considerable influence, who has been a subject of daily prayer for four years. He had procured a pocket Testament which he carried to his place of business and studied continually when not otherwise engaged. The Missionaries have heard him repeat whole Epistles from memory, and have been amazed at his knowledge of Scripture. The death of Brother Wood, who had always taken a deep interest in his welfare, even after removing to Abeih, was the means of bringing him to a decision. And there was joy in heaven and joy on earth, when he arose to testify to his love for the Redeemer. The third was a boy twelve years of age, the son of our licensed Preacher. It was most touching to see the tender interest of the father at the time of the examination before the session. The examination was very satisfactory. Although the boy is so young, he has an unusual knowledge of the Bible, has studied the whole of the Westminster Catechism, and is accustomed to lead the devotions at family worship with great acceptance It is not a matter of surprise that this boy has been hopefully converted, for he belongs to a praying family. Three times a day, in the morning, at noon, and at night, they meet together for prayer, and even the little children are expected to pray aloud in turn, and to pre-sent their petitions to God, in their own childish way. As the father once said, he is anxious that his children should know how to pray. It is worthy of note, too, that the neighbors, in times of difficulty or of sickness, have repeatedly sent to this Christian home to ask that they might be specially remembered at the family altar, and some of the answers to prayer have been very marked.

The new chapel at Aitenuth is almost completed. The builders, carpenters, and plasterers, are all busily engaged, and the bell (presented by Tabor Sunday School, Philadelphia) will soon be placed in position. There has not been as much progress at Aitenuth as at some other places in our field, but the village is an interesting one, as the first point in Southern Cœle-Syria which was seized for Christ. A school has long been sustained there, and it was thought that it ought to have better accommodations. We have slept in the old school-room, when touring, and as we have rested upon the native bed, made upon a table to raise us above the fleas, we could almost touch the beams which supported the earth roof. The floor of the little room was of earth, and as soon as the light was put out the mice began to caper about in high glee. The Teacher had made a chicken coop in one corner, too, and we expected to be awakened quite early in the morning by the crowing of the inmates. The school had but one door, and one small window, and it was concluded that five hundred dollars would be well expended, in building a neat little chapel of stone, to answer for school and for church, and to furnish the Missionaries with a

place where they might secure a good night's rest, upon their weary journeys. The money for the chapel is all in hand, having been raised by special contributions. The ground was presented by two Protestants of the village.

We have recently had the pleasure of welcoming to our midst two English ladies, who intend to labor permanently in this part of Syria. They are connected with the British Syrian School Committee, which is engaged in the work of female education in the East. The Committee sustains two schools at Zahleh, which in the future are to be under the superintendence of Miss Thompson, and a school at Baălbec, which is under the direction of Miss Williams. Both of these ladies are already working among the women and girls with great earnestness. It is gratifying to add that the British Syrian School Committee is working entirely in harmony with the American Mission.

A NESTORIAN MISSIONARY.

The Rev. B. Labaree, writing at Oroomiah, Persia, under date of October 2d, 1878, gives the following narrative, which is full of interest and encouragement :

Mr. Watt [of the B. and F. Bible Society,—then on a visit at Oroomiah,] is accompanied by a Nestorian, Kasha Yacob, a graduate of our Seir Seminary, who has for many years resided in Russia. He is a man of rare piety and consecration, and without any regular salary has given himself to the spread of evangelical doctrine in Southern Russia. His chief field has been among that curious sect of Russian dissenters called the Malakans. They are, perhaps you recall, a sort of Quakers, and are supposed to have their origin from the Quakers of England, one hundred years ago. Yacob found among these Malakans, twenty years since, a spirit of inquiry; and many came to desire a more spiritual religion than theirs had become. They were desirous of baptism and the Lord's Supper. A dozen years ago, he came home to Oroomiah, and was ordained, that he might go back and give the ordinances to these people. He has also ordained elders, presbyters, among them, and been the means of leading numbers to a higher spiritual life. Some fifteen hundred have been baptized through his instrumentality. He is widely known as a spiritual evangelist in Southern Russia, among the Russians, German colonists, and dissenters of various names. He goes about from point to point finding out those who are weary of the formalisms that they have grown up in, bringing such together for prayer and instruction, and imparting to all as he may a fresh impulse to holy living in Christ. He has been arrested and thrown into prison; sometimes followed by officers sent in his pursuit, and narrowly escaping; but he has not been intimidated from carrying on his work.

Mr. Watt has offered him permanent and remunerative employment as an agent of the Bible Society. But Kasha Yacob has declined any service which would compromise his liberty in speaking the gospel when and where the Spirit should lead him. Now and then he has been brought into pecuniary straits, and has accepted temporary service for the Bible Society. When Mr. Watt has some specially responsible task, he sends for Yacob. It may be to push forward a consignment of Bibles into Roumania for the Russian soldiers; it may be to visit and direct the colporteurs in the vicinity of Kars; or it may be to look into the affairs of some branch Bible depot on the shores of the Caspian. Yacob does the work with energy and fidelity, and then falls back into his self-denying itinerant service among the Malakans. He is now married and settled

among them, but is hardly willing to call any place home. Says Mr. Watt to us, "You are doing a great work in Russia through this man whom you have trained." He is one of the fruits of their labors who have gone up to their heavenly rest: one in whom we greatly rejoice.

Kasha Yacob begins to feel now the desirability of concentrating his labors more. It is possible he may settle down in the Crimea with the view to preparing some of the young men among the Malakans to be evangelists and presbyters. Whatever may be his particular sphere of labor for the Master he so highly honors, we bespeak for him the prayers of all who love the Lord's faithful workers.

Mr. Watt and Kasha Yacob both mention the gradual relaxation of Russian intolerance on religious matters, but it is still a very formidable obstacle to the progress of Evangelical truth.

The weather the past month has been rainy in a most unprecedented degree, injuring vineyards and other crops very seriously. Our people are very blue over their losses.

RECEIPTS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS IN OCTOBER, 1878.

ALBANY.—Albany—State St. ch., Albany, 165 42; Batchellersville ch., 4; For Albany, 1st ch., read Albany State st. ch., 158 88, in Sept. num-ber of Foreign Missionary and Record. Cham-plain—Burke, 25; Belmont, 25. Troy—Water-ford 2102, 250 ford, 31 08. 250 50

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sab-sch., 16 55.
Washington City—Metropolitan, Ladies' Miss. Society, 25; Vienna, Sab-sch, 150; Lewinsville, Sab-sch, 50 ets.
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CKNT. NEW YORK.—Binghampton – North ch., Binghampton, 725.
Otsego-Hamden, 3. Syracuse
Fulton, sab-sch, for school at Abeih, Syria, 25; Jamesville, 148.
Utica—Augusta, 8.
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Oxford Sab-sch, for Girls' School, at Dehra, 30 50; Somerville, 3 30.
Portsmouth—Ripley, 5033; 1st Ger. ch., Portsmouth, 5; Ger. ch., Greenbrier, 2.
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-Geneva, 33 78. Lyons-East Palmyra, 15 65. 301 65 301 60 HARRISBURGH.—Carlisle—Shippensburg, from an "unknown Member," 12. Huntingdon— Spring Creek, 55 22: Clearfield, 68 62; Presb. Collec., 17 75: Fruit Hill ch., sab-sch, 15. North-umberland—Williamsport. 2d, 30 50; Williams-port, 1st, 30. Wellsboro—Wellsboro, 11 10; sab-sch 4 05, 15 15. 244 24

CENT. ILLINOIS.-Peoria-Prospect, 30 65; Union Meeting, Peoria, 18 79; Oneida, Young Ladies' Mt. Carmel Mission, to sup. Rev. W. J. McKee, 10; Deer Creek, 7 62. Schuyler-Quincy, 1st, 34; Mt. Sterling, 1st, sab-sch, 16 87; Rushville, sab-sch 4 66. 122 59 sab-sch, 4 66.

ILLINGIS, NORTH. — Chicago — Jefferson Park sab-sch, 31; Lake Forest, 30 57; "Bible-class," 8th, 18 50; 6th, 5 66. Freeport—Prairie Dell, 18; Woodstock, 14 38. IIS 11

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INDIANA, NORTH.— Crawfordsville— Bethel, 3. Logansport—Plymouth, 2 26; Muncie—Wabash, 9 25; Union City, 5.
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Long IsLAND.—Brooklyn—South 3d st., Wil-liamsburg, 27 68; Lafayette Ave, 41 14; Frank-lin Ave. 21 50; sab-sch. 25, 46 50. Greenpoint, 15; Edgewater, 1st, 10. Long Island—Bridge Hampton, 75; Port Jefferson, 7. 222 32 MICHIGAN.—Detroit—Fort st., Detroit, 41 10; Young Misses F. M. Society to sup. Mr. Knox, 496 23, 537 33; United ch., Milford, 7, (D. M. Ladd, special for Debt, 100) 107; Westminster, Detroit, 91 60. Kalamazoo-Allegan sab-sch, 335. Lansing—Homer, 55; Mason, 1st, 27 50; Concord, 26 27. 848 05 MINNESOTA.—St. Paul—House of Hope, St. Paul, 32 35.—Winona—Caledonia sab-sch, 5 19. 37 54

MISSOURI.—Osage—Kansas City. 20. Ozark— Carthage sab-sch, 3. Palmyra—Hannibal, 1st, 25; New Cambria. 150. St. Louis—Glasgow are., 8t. Louis, from Pastor, "In Memoriam," for Chefoo, 40; Kirkwood sab-sch, 26 91. 116 41 NEw JERESY.—Elizabeth—Westminster, Eliza-beth, 125; Westfield, 20; Roselle, 6 79; sab sch., 8 47, 15 26; Cranford, 1st, for China, 8; Liberty Corners, 2 23. Monmouth—Matawan, 33 97; Al-lentown, 31; Burlington, 25; Freehold, 1st, 21 05; Farmingdale, 21; Englishtown, sab-sch. Mor-ris and Orange—South st. sab-sch. Morristown, Miss. Society to sup. native preacher in China, 150; East Orange, 1st, special, for Debt, 139 10; Orange, Ger., 7; Mendham, 2d, sab-sch. 5. New-ark—Newark, 2d, 43 53; Park, 20 15; Caldwell, 21; Newark, 2d, 44 75. New Brunswick—Pro spect st. Trenton 28 56; Ewingsville sab-sch, 17; Stockton, 5. Newton—Belvidere, 1st, 24 82; Harmony, Roxburg, sab-sch, 4. West Jersey— Cedarville, 1st, 39 52; Clayton sab-sch, 13; Ham-monton sab-sch, 10 65. New York.—Hudson—West Town, 44 40; Go-shen, 30 45; Nyack, 1st, 24 66; Palisades, 20 60; Otisville, 3; Ridgebury, 2 50. New York— Fourth Ave., 127 42; University Place, for "P-pal Lands" 25; 7th ch., mo. con, 18 21; Brick Chapel, 10 79; Washington Heights, 7 03. North River—Newburg, 1st, 180; Bethlehem, 15; High-land Falls, to sup. Rev. S. H. Murphy, 12 54; Calvary, Newburg, 789. Westchester—Hartford, 185 70.

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OUR WANTS.

As has before been stated, the Missionary Fund of the Board is now empty, while very many applications are coming from needy and deserving quarters, for grants of books and tracts. Many of these requests we are reluctantly obliged to refuse, while in many other cases we can give very little where we would gladly give liberal donations. Will not those who feel interested in the dissemination of the blessed truths of Scripture by the printed page, come to our relief? And will not those churches which have been accustomed to take their collections for the Missionary Fund of this Board at this season of the year, do all that in them lies to give us generous contributions in this time of need?

TEXAS AND ITS NEEDS.

Texas is a state of vast extent, and its population is rapidly growing. The General Assembly in May last took the necessary action for the formation of a Synod of Texas, and that body met in October at Austin, and prepared for earnest action.

One of the great needs of the new Synod now is, an active and devoted Book, Tract and Sunday-school Missionary. The man can be had, but there are no funds wherewith to send and sustain him in this work. Will not two or three of our larger Sunday-schools in the East jointly undertake this work? The results would be blessed, and a blessing would surely come back from it upon themselves.

THE INDIAN TERRITORY.

The Rev. Robert Irwin, D. D., our District Superintendent for the west and southwest, recently made a visit to the Indian Territory, and writes as follows in regard to that interesting land and its people:

The territory lying between Kansas and Texas, 370 miles East and West, by 220 miles north and south, and containing 74,127 square miles, has been set apart in solemn compact by the government of the U. S. as the home of the Indian *forever and forever*. It is a beautiful country with vast and fertile prairies, numerous streams, heavily fringed with timber of excellent growth and variety—a shining bait for avaricious speculators. There are thirty-five tribes, speaking *thirty-one* different languages! Five of these are civilized—the Cherokees, Creeks, Seminoles, Choctaws and Chickasaws; the remainder, being the smaller and less civilized tribes, occupying the Western part of the nation. The first three of these civilized tribes have made encouraging advancement in agriculture, education and religion. The population of the Territory is about 85,000 white men being simply *permitted* to live there as government officials, traders or railroad men. The lands are held in common—the Indian privileged to settle anywhere provided he keeps a quarter of a mile from his neighbor. Loving the water and woods, as a race he seeks the streams, leaving the rich

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prairies uncultivated. Many of the Creeks and Cherokees are developing rich farms and exhibit commendable thrift. The expenses of the government and schools are all defrayed by the interest of funds held in trust by the United States—purchase money of lands vacated in Georgia and elsewhere.

AN INDIAN FAIR.

I was present at their "International Fair" held at Muskogee. Eleven distinct tribes were represented. They were there of all degrees of Indian life, from the educated and English-speaking Cherokee to the wild Comanche in his hideous attire of feathers, paint, blankets and filth. There was a strange mixture of savage and civilized life. An intelligent Cherokee lady said to me, as we were looking in upon the rude encampment of an old Comanche chief, aged sixty-four years and his young squaw of twenty, both attired in the full costume of savage life, "Well, I suppose that my grandfather and grandmother looked and lived like these people, but I am thankful that I don't." The gospel of Jesus Christ had transformed her into a Christian lady.

The people came to this Fair hundreds of miles; some on foot, others in road wagons, many more on their ponies. They encamped in and around the ground, and as the sale of intoxicating liquors is strictly forbidden within the Territory, perfect order prevailed. The exhibits, though not extensive, indicated the hopeful progress this people are making in agriculture and education. The fair proves an educator. The wildest of the Indians gather ideas that are seed thoughts to be carried to their homes. The harvest will come again.

A MISSIONARY OF THE BOARD.

I was proud to have the Presbyterian Board of Publication represented at the Fair. Our newly appointed Missionary, Mr. J. C. Sefton, was there with a well selected display of our publications. A prominent place was given him in the main building. Everybody crowded around his stand to see the books. He conversed cheerfully with the people, giving each one a tract or a "Visitor" or a "Sunbeam." At night, while a heavy storm was prevailing without, he held a religious meeting at which more than two hundred were present. He talked, prayed and sang with them. He is well known in the Territory as having been a wild and reckless man, but now thoroughly converted. The people hear him gladly—they believe him sincere. He expects to travel through the Territory, scattering the printed gospel, accompanying it with earnest words and prayers. I do hope we may be able to sustain him. These civilized tribes are advanced in education far enough to appreciate books and papers. The issues of an infidel and licentious press are here. The agencies of Satan are busy here. We need to supply these homes and schools with our elevating literature. It is gladly received.

Our church is not idle nor indifferent as to this Territory, but we need to multiply missionary agencies among this people. The treaty guarantees to every missionary the occupancy of one hundred and sixty acres of land for school and church purposes. The day school and the Sabbath school are the chief channels through which to mould the future race. The hope is in the children. Taught the English language, brought into contact with English ideas and habits, and granted the rights of citizenship, not many generations shall pass before this land will knock at the door of the

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Union to be admitted as the state of "Oklahoma," the beautiful Choctaw name, signifying "Home of the Red people." They are not a hopeless people. If Christian people fully realized the grand opportunities now opened to our Board of Publication for Book, Tract, and Sunday School work in this territory, as elsewhere, there would be a generous response, a liberal outpouring of wealth into the Missionary Fund of the Board.

RECEIPTS FOR MISSION WORK OF BOARD OF PUBLICATION IN OCTOBER, 1878.

By Synods in SMALL CAPITALS-Presbyteries in italics-Churches in Roman.

ALBANY.—Albany—Albany, State Street, 20 87; Ballston Centre, 4 73; Mayfield Central, 50 cts. Troy—Sandy Hill, 9 75; Waterford, 19 38.

BALTIMORE.— Baltimore.—Churchville, 11 00; Cumberland, 7 00. New Castle-Wilmington, Central, 65 51. Washington City.—Metropolitan ch., Ladies Society, 5 00. 88 51 CENTRAL NEW YORK.—Binghampton.— Bing-hampton, North, 91 cts. Otsego-Richfield Springs, 6 50. Syracuse.—Cazenovia, 26 00; Jamesville, 19 cts. 33 60

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CINCINNAT.-Cincinnati-Wyroming, 22 53
CLEVELAND. - Cleveland - Cleveland, First, 15 70; Cleveland, Euclid Street, 14 00.
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COLUMEN.-Zanesville-Jersey, 2 20.
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ERE.-Allegheny-Sharpsburgh, 16 00; Butler
Fairview. 4 00; New Salem, 8 00. Kittanning
Centre, 2 00. Sheanago-Hermon, 10. 40 00
GENEVA.- Cayuga-Aurora, 7 51. Geneva-Waterloo, 25.

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OKATAL - Cuguga - Autora, 7 31. Geneva-Waterloo, 25. 32 51
HARRISBURGH.-Carlisle - Harrisburgh, Pine Street, 62 50; Harrisburgh, Seventh Street, add'l. 5; Lower Path Valley, 7; Burnt Cabins, 3; Petersburgh, 2. Huntingdon-Fruit Hill, 9; Spring Creek, 347. Northumberland-Hartle-ton, 4; Williamsport, 1st, 10; Williamsport, 2d, 818; Wellsboro-Wellsboro, 140. 115 55
ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.-Schuyler-Rushville, 3 62; Warsaw, 1 50. 4 52
ILLINOIS, NORTH.-Chicago-Gardner, 1. Free-port-Freeport, 3d German, 3. Ottawa.-Vienna, 1. Rock River-Peniel ch. add'l, 8. 1300
ILLINOIS, SOUTH.-Alton-Plum Creek, 170; Salem, German, 6; Troy, 71 cts.; Virden, 2 33. Mattoom-Neoga, 104; Vandalia, 4 55. 16 33
INDIANA, NORTH.-Crawfordsville-Bethel, 4. Fort Wanne-Albion, 3. Logansport-Plymouth, 28 cts. Muncie-Wabash, 117. 8 45
IOWA, SOUTH.-Iowa-Keokuk, Westminster, OWA, SOUTH.-Iowa-Keokuk, Westminster,

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MISSOURI.-St. Louis- Emanuel, 5; Zoar, 5. 10 00

10 00 NEBRASKA.—Kearney—Verona, 2. 200 New JERSEY.—Elizabeth—Liberty Corner, 170; Perth Amboy. 775; Roselle, 1st, (Sab-sch., 108) 194; Westfield, 21 12. Momouth—Freehold, First, 605; from "J. T." 150. Newark—Bloom-field, First, 3247; Newark, 2d, 1071; Newark, 3d, 29 10; Newark, Park, 331. New Brunswick —Stockton, 1 50. Newton—Belvidere, 1st, 6 93. 124 08 124 08

124 08 New York.—Hudson—Nyack, 3 18; Palisades, 50 ets.; West Town, 5 55. New York, Sth Avenue, 6 48. North River — Bethlehem, 15; Cornwall, 17. 97.71 Pacific.—San Francisco—San Francisco, Cal-vary, 57. San José—Watsonville, 5. 62.00 Ринарегиза.

schs., 3; Fairview, 11; Media, 4 25; Wayne, 24 11; West Chester, 18 09. Lackawanna — Scranton, 1st, 71; Towanda, 30. Lehigh —Sum-mit Hill ch., (Sab-sch., 134; and Jamestown Sab-sch., 22 cts.), 156. Philadelphia — Phila-delphia, Clinton Street, Immanuel ch., 32 25; Philadelphia, Tenth ch. Sab sch., 867. Phila-delphia, North—Bristol, 15. Westminster—Chris-tiana. 1. 2003 tiana, 1. 219 93

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WEST NEW YORR. - Buffalo-Buffalo, West-minster. 7 88. Rochester-Lima. 1 39; Ogden, 1 69; Rochester, Calvary, 9 08; Rochester, St. Peter's, 14. 34 04

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Bequest of Alex. McCullough, dec'd, late of Mercer, Pa., 100; Bequest of Eliza Hydnshaw, dec'd, (dividend) \$5; Starkwater estate, Chicago, Ill., 211 50; Woodbury Fund, 58 80; Baldwin Fund,

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BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION.

Let the facts be known by all the churches. The Board of Church Erection are not disposed to complain or find fault with others, but feel it their duty to make known the low condition of their treasury and the causes that have induced this exhaustion. For several successive years we have closed our accounts with a considerable balance in our treasury. This was largely owing to the fact, that more than one-third of what we receive from churches and individuals is given by two noble-hearted men in this city, and their contribution always comes in just at the close of our fiscal year, so that it is in the treasury when our Report is closed. Hence the report that has been so carefully circulated by some, that "the Board of Church Erection has more money than they need, or know what to do with." This report has led many churches to withhold their usual contributions, or to have "solid columns," if they send any thing, it is but a mere drib.

Another cause of the falling off in our receipts is the large increase in "special giving" or sending of collections made for Church Erection (either through the Board or direct) to aid some particular church, thus cutting off much that should have flown into our treasury. This has become the rule rather than the exception. Not only individuals, and churches, but entire Presbyteries and some Synods, have passed resolutions to expend all their collections for Church Erection upon some one or two of their own churches, while at the same time these very churches that have absorbed the contributions of their Presbytery are recommended to the Board for further aid. One of the designs in establishing the Board of Church Erection was to prevent the almost constant application by circular, by letter, or by personal application for aid, and thus avoid the large expense connected with this kind of agency, and secure a more just and equitable distribution of the alms of the church. Now the printing of circulars, postage of letters and traveling expenses of soliciting agents, absorbs, in some instances, more than half of what is given. Again, this practice of special giving leads to an unjust distribution of the Lord's money. The individual or church who responds to one of these pitiful appeals, does not know that fifty others may be doing the same thing, or that that very church may have the promise of five, six or seven hundred dollars from the Board of Church Erection, while there is a poor church quite as deserving and far more needy, that depends solely upon the authorized agency—the Board, to enable them to get a humble shelter from the winter blasts, now approaching. At the last meeting of the Board there were 29 applications strongly endorsed by Presbyteries calling for \$20,500, while at the same time we had but \$7.000 of unappropriated money in the treasury. The Board granted in part, 14 of these applications, and were unable to reach the others. We have for consideration at our next meeting 20 applications asking for \$8,500, and our receipts during the month \$3,227. Does this look like "having more money than we know what to do with ?" Many of the applications before us are of the most urgent and important nature. One of them is on behalf of the 1st Presbyterian church building in Idaho. Another for the 1st Presbyterian church in Arizona, and a third for our first church building among the Creek Indians, while others are for the Freedmen in the South, who greatly need our help. Some of these buildings are but partly erected, which if not completed before the winter sets in will be greatly injured by the storms. Others were in process of erection, when the recent storm prostrated them to the earth, and now,

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while we write, they are literally in ruins and the people shelterless. Brethren, we greatly need your help. Let us have it, and that "right early" and liberally.

RECEIPTS FOR CHURCH ERECTION IN OCTOBER, 1878.

ALRANY.—Albany—Albany, State Street, 41 35; Ballston, Centre, 3; New Scotland, 16; West Troy, 1st, 6 56. Troy—Troy, 9th, 5; Waterford, 7 77.

7 77. BALTIMORE.—New Castle—Milford, 5. CENTRAL NEW YORK.—Binghamton.—Bingham-ton, North, 1 82; McGrawville, 9 04. Syracuse —Jamesville, 37 ots.; Manlius, from Woman's Missionary Society, (Sp), 50. Utica—Augusta, 1st, 1 50; Rome, 1st, 8 83. CINCINNATI.—Chillicothe—Hillsboro, (Sab-sch. Spec.) 15: Wilkesville, (Sab-sch. Spec.) 5. Cin-cinnati—Wyoming, 19 69. Dayton—Springfield, 1st, 13 60.

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CLEVELAND. — Cleveland — Cieveland, Euclid St. 27 75: Northfield, 5. Mahoning-Canton, (Sab-sch. Spec.) 25; Youngstown, 1st ch. (Sab-sch. Spec.) 25. Steubenville — Steubenville, Old, 4.

Columbus.—Columbus.—Columbus, Hoge. 3 80; Groveport, 4. Wooster—Jackson, 10 50. Zanes-ville—Freeland, 3 40; High Hill, 2 13; Linton, (Sab-sch. Spec.), 6 05; Martinsburg, (Sab-sch. Spec.), 3.

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ERE. - Allegheay - Allegheny, 1st, (Spec.)
51 65; Allegheny, 1st, Sab.sch., (Spec.), 20 44;
Hiland, 5 08. Butter-Amity, 5; Clintonville,
6; Fairview, 5; New Salem, 8. Enter - Erie,
Park, Sab sch, (Spec.) 20; Greenville, 23 50;
Titusville, 32 50; Wattsburgh, 4 12. Kittannang-Atwood, 1 28; Centre, 2 90; Cherry Run,
2 10; Elderton, 13. Shenango - Hermon, 4;
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GENEVA. - Cayuga-Aurora, 16 90. Chemung -Elmira, 2d, 7 19.

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ILLINOIS, CENTRAL — Peoria — Washington. 5. Schuyler—Monmouth, 1st, 24; Rushville, 2 75. Springfield—North Sangamon, Sab-sch., (Spec.),

Derivgietz-Norm Sauganion, Sabestin, (Spec.), 10.
ILLINOIS, NORTH — Freeport — Willow Creek, 10 25; Winnebago, 3 63.
ILLINOIS, SOUTH. — Alton — Salem, 6 ; Sugar Creek, 2 50 ; Trenton, 2 50 ; Troy, 1 38 ; Virden, 4 73. Cario-Centralia, 4 60 ; Du Quoin, Sabsch., (Spec.) 5. Mattoon-Neoga, 2 05.
INDIANA, NORTH. — Crawfordsville— Lafayette, 2d, 30 60. Fort Wayne-Fort Wayne, 1st, 57.
Muncie-Hopewell, 2; Marion, 1; Noblesville, 5; Watash, 2 31.
INDIANA, SOUTH. — Vincennes-Indiana Sab-sch. (Spec.) 2 30. White Water-Connersville, 9 15. Iowa, Norrth. — Cedar Rapids—Scotch Grove, from Woman's Presbyterian Society, (Spec.) 10.
Dubuque-Dubuque, German, 6. Fort Dodge-Cherokee, 4 30. Waterloo-Holland, 2.
Iowa, South, 1 97. Iowa City-Montezuma, 5.
Wares Duravia Eldoarda 6. Nucle

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KANSAS.- Emporia-Eldorado, 6. Neosho-Baxter Springs, 1st, 5. Topeka-Topeka, 1st, 42.

KENTUCKY. - Transylvania - Harrodsburgh, 9 20.

Long Island.—Brooklyn—Brooklyn, 2d, (Sp) 8 25. Nassau—Freeport, 5 91; Huntington, 1st, 25 80.

MICHIGAN.= Detroit - Detroit, Westminster, 35 27; Mt. Pleasant, 3 17. Lansing-Concord,

35 27; Mt. Fleasant, 3 17. Lansing—Concord, 6 57.
MINNESOTA.—Mankato—Le Sueur, 1st, 3 37. St. Paul's—St. Paul's, House of Hope, 17 18.
MISSOURT.—S. Louis—Emanuel, 5.
NERRASKA.—Onucha — Columbus, 9; Creston, 3; Madison, 2; Tracey Vallev. 2.
New JERER.—Elizabeth—Elizabeth. Westminster, 50; Liberty Corner, 2 78; Roselle, 1st, 1 69; (S. S.) 2 13. Jersey City—Lakeview, 3.
Monmouth — Barnegat, (Spec.) 1 25; Bordentown, 5 40; Jamesburg, (Spec.) 50; Forked River, (Spec.) 1. Morris and Orange—Madison, 23 80; Morristown, South St. Sab-sch., (Spec.) 50; Parsippany, 11. Newark. Bloomfield, 1st, 42 24; Newark, 1st, 43; Newark, 2d, 17 55; Newark, 944. New Brunswick—Ewing, 43; Stocktoa, 2. Newton—Belvidere, 1st, 7 93. West Jersey—Cold Spring, 5 70; Merchantville, 5.
NEW YORK.—Hudson—Nyack, 473; Palisades, 1; Ridgeburr, 35 cts.; Westown, 8 80. New York—New York, 4th, 23 87; New York, 4th Avenue, 25 66. Westchester—Croton Falls, 12 50; Mount Kisco, 10 25.
PHILADELPHIA. — Chester — Darby Borough, for whether and the constraint of the form Hon. Wm. A. Porter, 7 72.

Mount Kisco, 10 25. PHILADELPHIA. — Chester — Darby Borough, (of which from Hon. Wm. A. Porter, 7 72,) 57 72; (Great Valley, 13; Media, 148; Phœnix-wille, (Spec.) 7; West Chester. 1st, 16 10. Lack-awanna—Hawley, 3 25. Lehigh-Lower Mount Bethel, (Spec.), 3 60; Shenandcah, Sab-sch. (Spec.), 5 17; Summit Hill, 2 67; Summit Hill, Jamestown Sab-sch., 43 ots. Phila. Central-Phila. North, 53 30. Phila. North-Bridesburg, 6. Caerontown, 164; 554 60; Northort, 77, 70

Phila. North, 53 30. Phila. North-Bridesburg, 6: Germantown, 1st, 52 50; Newtown, 47 70. Westminster-Christiana, 1; Little Britain. 10. PITTSBURGH.-Blairsville-Black Lick, 3; Mur-rysville, 4. Puttsburgh-Centre, 11: East Lib-erty, 1st, 21; Oakdale, 635; Pittsburg, Grace, Mem., 180; Sharon, 8 19. Redstone-Belle Ver-non, 1st, 17 50. Washington-Bethlehem, 3 25; Claysville, 40 75; Cove, 6: Three Springs, 2; Washington, 1st, 15 12; West Liberty, 1 75; Wheeling, 1st, 22 10. TEXNESSEE.- Union-Strawberry Plains, 2 55. TEXNESSEE.- Mution-Austin, 1st, 25.

TENNESSE. – Union-Strawberry Plains, 2 55. TEXAS. – Austin-Austin, 1st, 25. TOLEDO. – Bellefontaine – Bellefontaine, 1 97; West Liberty, 47 cts. Huron – Fremont, 7; Norwalk, 10 60. Lima-Rockport, 3 15. Mau-mice-Stryker, French, 3. WESTERN NEW YORK. – Buffalo-Buffalo, West-minster, (Spec.), 15. Genesse-Wyoming, 8. Rochester-Lima, 2 78; Mount Morris, 11 40; Ogden, 3 35; Rochester, Central, 31 79; (from Mrs. Smith's class, Sab-sch., (Spec.), 10.; Ro-chester, St. Peter's, 14. WISCONSIN. – Chippeva-La Crosse, 1st, 65 cts. Milwaukee – Beloit, German, 1; Ottawa, 64 cts.; Stone Bank, 6 51. Wisconsin River-Montello, from Buffalo Sab-sch, (spec.), 2 25.

MISCELLANEOUS.—From a Friend, through S. B. Strong 5; Miss Hattie Conway, Noxon, N. Y. (Sp.) 1; Friends in Waterlown, N. Y. (Sp.) 25; S. H. Cairns, Waterbury, Conn., (Sp.) 1; From Sabbath Evening Missionary Circle of the "I" children. (Sp.) 1; "J. T." 1; Mrs. L. H. Harper, Sidney Plains, N.Y. (Sp.) 1; Insurance Co. for loss of Altea City church, Utah Territory, 300; Unterest 56 33. Interest, 586 38.

Total receipts for October.....

JONATHAN OGDEN, Treasurer.

\$3,227 91

Corresponding Secretary, Rev. H. R. Wilson, D. D., 23 Centre Street, New York. Treasurer, Jonathan Ogden, Esq., 23 Centre Street, New York.

BOARD OF RELIEF FOR DISABLED MINISTERS.

The blessing of Him that was ready to perish came upon me, and I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy

A WIDOW'S IMPRESSIONS ON RECEIVING AID.

She says "With sinceré gratitude I acknowledge the receipt of your check. Please accept my heartfelt thanks. I cannot tell how thankful I am to receive it at this time. I do not know how or what we would do without the aid we receive from the Relief Fund. Daily we thank the dear Lord for it. Oh! if the church could only know the comfort and happiness the Board sends to many desolate and destitute homes, your treasury would never be empty. Praying that this happy time may soon come, and that the Lord will bless you and all in any way connected with this great work, I am gratefully yours, &c."

AN AGED MINISTER'S TESTIMONY.

At the age of eighty years, after having been in active service in the Christian ministry for half a century, in the day of want help comes to him for the first time from the Relief Fund,-and he writes in reply to the remittances:

"DEAR BROTHER :- Nothing that I can say would adequately express my deep sense of your kind and prompt action in this matter, of such vital importance to me and mine. Your Grateful Brother in Christ."

RECEIPTS FOR BOARD OF RELIEF IN OCTOBER, 1878.

RECEIPTS FOR BOARD OF ALBANY.—Albany—Albany State Street, 30 13; Ballston Centre, 4 71; Kingsboro, 10; North-ville, 2. Chamblain — Plattsburgh, 6. Troy— Chester, 4; Troy, 9th, 6; Waterford, 777. 60 66 BALTIMORE — Baltimore — Baltimore. Broad-way, 10; Camberland, 1st, 24.—New Castle New Castle, 83 50; Smyrna, 5.— Washington City— Zion, German, 2 50; Washington, Sixth, Mis-sionary Soc'y, 10; 1600 CENT. NEW YORK.—Binghampton—Bainbridge, 10; Binghampton, North, 1 32; Cortland, 14 54. —Otsego—Gilbertsville, 31; Hamden, 3.—Syra-cuse—Collamer, 4 77; Constantia, 4; Jamesville, 27 ets.—Utica—Augusta, 2 18; Rome, 1st, 22 37; Utica, First, 68 17; Utica, Bethany, 64; Utica, Westminster, 25; Vernon Centre, 3; Western-ville, 8 20. 2014 261 82 ville, 8 20.

Westminster, 25; Vernon Centre, 3; Western-ville, 8 20. 26 182 CINCINNATI.—Per H. W. Hughes, Treasurer, 41 67.—Chillicothe—South Salem. 11 79. Cincin-nati.—Cincinnati, Second, 186 42; Cummins-ville, 10; Wyoming, 31 31. Dayton—Clifton, 54 97; Greenville, 11 52; Monroe, 5; Spring-field, 1st, 33 85. 386 53 CLEVELAND.—Cleveland - Cleveland, 1st, 22 70; Cleveland, Euclid Street, 20 25: Kingsville, 8 78; Northfield, 5. Mahoning—Ellsworth, 10; Kinsman, 10; Massillon 24, 15 51; Poland. 5 92. St. Clairsville—Mount Pleasant, 14 85. Steuben-ville—Long, s Run, 6 30; New Cumberland, 8; Steubenville, Old, 2. 129 31 COLORADO.—Colorado —Evans, 1 75; Greeley, 3; Trinidad, 5 90. 10 65 COLUMPUS.—Athens—Decatur, 2 50; Tupper's Plains, 1 50. Columbus. Clairon—Ber-lin, 11 10; West Berling, 2 65. Marion—Ber-lin, 11 10; West Berlin, 4. Wooster—Hopewell, 15: Nashville, 6 43; Perrysville, 9; Wooster. 1st, 35 06; Wooster, Bethel, 3 50. 177 59 Erre.—Allegheny — Allegheny, 1st, Sab-sch.

Beller IN OUTOBER, 1010.
30 16; Allegheny, 2d, 9; Allegheny, North, 53 33; Bull Creek, 5; Concord, 2 55; Cross Roads, 23 59; Hiland, 5; Leetsdale, 85 63; Springdale, 6. Butter-Amity, 18; Mount Nebo, 8 15; Muddy Creek, 7 21; New Salem, 7; West-minster, 4; Zelinople, 6; Unionville, 9 36.-Clarion - Bethesda, 3 50; Brookville, 4 25.-Erie-Edinboro, 11; Harbor Creek, 3; North East, 10; Sugar Creek, 6; Sugar Creek Memor-ial, 5; Sunville, 5. Kittanning-Elderton, 15; Freeport, 5; Glade Run, 25; Slate Lick, 7 30. Shenango-Little Beaver, 3 30; Leesburg, 5; Ma. honing, 19; New Brighton, 18 50; Westfield, 22. 447 97 GENEVA.-Cayuga-Auburn, 1st, 112 65; Auro

GENEVA.—Cayuga—Auburn, 1st, 112 65; Auro-ra, 11 26; Cayuga, 11. Chemung—Burdett, 6; Elmira, Lake Street, 2d, 11 11; Mead's Creek, 1 16; Mecklenburgh, 5; Sugar Hill, 1 10. Ge-neva—Penn Yan, 1st, 42 09; Seneca, 40. Lyons —Fairville, 2 73. 2441 10 Uungargung — Cardisla — Douphin 6; Pax

Meud-Feinl 1 alt, 1st, 22 05; Scheck, 40. Dobts
-Fairville 2 73. 244 10
HARRISBURGH. - Carlisle - Dauphin, 6; Paxton, 19 55; Petersburgh, 3. Huntingdon - Altoona, 1st, 32 11; Fruit Hill, 8; Huntingdon, 42 80; Sinking Creek, 8 50; Sinking Valley, 14; Spring Creek, 10 41; Williamsburgh, 18. North-umberland - Derry, 2; Hartleton, 4; Linden, 6 40; Sunbury, 16; Washingtonville, 3; Williamsport, 2d, 8 88. Wellsboro - Beecher Island, 3; Farmington, 2; Wellsboro, 2 03. 209 63
ILLINOS, CENT.-Bloomington-Danville, 66 47; Wenona, 2. Peoria-Brunswick, 3; Eureka, 7; Farmington, 5 50; Ipava, 11; John Knox, 6 50; Salem, 6; including two from family of the pastor. Schuyler-Ebenezer, 8 50; Hamilton, 4 20; Monmouth, 13; Warsaw, 3; Wythe, 2. Springfield, 2d, 15 86. 154 03
ILLINOS, NORTH.-Chicago-Chicago, 1st, 64 32; Chicago, Jefferson Park, 26 23; Joliet, 1st, 11 63; Kankakee, 10 85; Lake Forest, 95. Freeport-Rock ford, Westminster, 7 14; Zion, 5; Willow

Creek, 16: Winnebago, 5 20. Ottawa-Gran-ville, 5. Rock River-Aledo, 8 55; Hamlet, 11; North Henderson, 1st, 5. 270 97 ILLINOIS, SOUTH.-Alton-Bethel, 320; Butler, 6; Carlin Ville, 1st, 5; Edwardsville, 5; Salem, German, 8; Troy, 3 43; Virden, 1 69. Cairo-Golconda, 4. Mattoon-Neoga, 1 50. 37 82 INDIANA, NORTH. - Crawfordsville - Lafayette, 1st, 8 75; Newtown, 6 30; Thorntown, 6 85. Fort Wayne-Fort Wayne, 1st, 84 80; La Grange, 4. Logansport - Goodland, 5 25; Michigan City, 9 10; Plymouth, 42 cts; West Union, 5. Muncie-New Cumberland, 1; Union City, 3; Wabash, 1 69. Indianapolis - Indianapolis

INDIANA, SOUTH.—Indianapolis — Indianapolis, 12th, 5; New Pisgah, 2 10; Southport, 6 52. New Albany—Charleston, 12 10; Jeffersonville, 22 10. White Water—Connersville, 1st, 6; Law-

22 10. White Water-Connersville, 1st, 6; Law-renceburgh, 3 10. 56 92 Iowa, NorrH. - Cedar Rapids - Anamosa, 1; Cedar Rapids, 1st, 68 14; Mechanicsville, 3 23. Dubuque - Bethel, 5; Dubuque, 2d, 16 20; Hop-kinton, 7. Waterloo-Holland, 2. 102 57 Iowa, SourH.-Council Bluffs - Avoca, 3 50; Knox, 3 50; Walnut, 5 50. Des Moines-Knox-ville, 3. Iowa - Keokuk, Westminster, 8 21; Kossuth, 1st, 1 45; Libertyville, 2. Morning Sun, 6 56; Oakland, 3. Iowa City-Tipton, 15; West Liberty. 5. 56 72

Sun, 6 56; Oakland, 3. *Iowa Cuy* - report 2.
West Liberty, 5. 56 72
KENTUCKY.-Ebenezer-Ludlow, 2 50. Louisville
- Louisville, 4th, 33 75; Louisville, College
Street, 39 55. *Transylvania* - Harrodsburgh,
Assembly, 17 40. 93 20
Long IsLAND. - Brooklyn-Brooklyn, Classon
Ave., 102 64; Brooklyn-Brooklyn, Lafayette Ave., 119 63. Long Island-Middletown,
7 29; Setauket, 10. Nassau - Freeport, 4 30. 352 00

352 00 MICHIGAN. — Detroil — Detroit, 1st, 78 80; De-troit, Fort St., 49 57: Detroit, Westminster, 11 15; Pontiac, 10; Wyandotte, 7 41; Ypsilanti, 1st, 35; Mt. Pleasant, 1 75; Monroe. 1st, 5 50. Kalamazoo — Niles, 19 31; Three Rivers. 15. Lansing-Concord, 4 80; Homer, 7 63; Marshall, 9 36. Saginaw — Emerson. 6 80. MINNESOTA. — Mankalo — St. Peter's, Union, 7 25. St. Paul — Belle Plaine, 2 47; Jordan, 3 91; Minneapolis, 1st, 19 33; Oak Grove, 13 41. 46 37

46 37

MISSOURI.—Osage—Appleton City, 2 85; War-rensburgh, 6, including \$1, from Rev. Chas. Fu-ella: Westfield, 2 15. Pulmyra—Hannibal, 1st, 16. Platte-St. Joseph. North, 1; Willow Brook, 2 40. Potosi—Rev. J. Donaldson, 1. 31 40 NEBRASKA.— Kearney—Hastings, 5; Verona, 1. Omaha City—Waterville, 4; Clontibret, 1 75. Num Lupary. Elizabeth - Elizabeth 1st Cor-

11 75 NEW JERSEX.—Elizabeth.—Elizabeth. 11 75 man, 2; Liberty Corner, 3 10; Roselle, 1st, Ger-man, 2; Liberty Corner, 3 10; Roselle, 1st, 2 77; Westfield, 9 74. Monnouth.—Beverly, 12 55, Freehold, 1st, 13 50; from 'J.T.' 2. Morris and Orange—Orange, 1st, 34. Newark-Montclair, 120; Newark, 2d, 10 71; Newark, Park, 4 76. New Brunswick.— Ewing, 81 34; Kirkpatrick, Me-morial, 10; Pennington, 37 26; Stockton, 2; Trenton, 4th, 64 50. Newton.— Belvidere, 1st, 6 02; Harmony, 14 95; La Fayette, 1. West Jersey.—Cold Spring, 4; Merchantville, 9 31; Salem, 1st, 50. 495 51 New York.— Roston.— Bedford, 8. Hudson.—

Jersey — Cold Spring, 4; shereinan 495 51 Salem, 1st, 50. NEW York. — Boston — Bedford, 8. Hudson— Nyack, 3 77; Palisades, 2; West Town, 6 66; White Lake, 6 57. New York—Harlem, 1st, add, 5; New York, Church of the Covenant. 115; New York, Fourth Are., 18 73. North River— South Amenia, 21 79, Westchester—Bridgeport, 1st, 33 24. Throg's Neck, 9 50; Bethany, 15. 245 26

PACIFIC. – Los Angeles.–Ojai, 10. 10 00 PHILADELPHIA. – Chester – Avondale, 7 35; Chester, 3d, 39 52; Great Valley, 1 50; Media,

Secretary, Rev. GEORGE HALE, D. D., Treasurer, Rev. CHABLES BROWN,

1 08; West Chester, 1st, 27 80. Lackawanna – Brooklvn, 6; Canton, 9; Susquehanna Depot, 4 50; Terrytown, 5; Towanda, 1st, 50. Lehigh –Summit Hill, 195; Jamestown Sab-sch, 31 ets. Philadelphia – Philadelphia, 2d, 55 24.– Phila. Central—Philadelphia, Alexander, 61 60; Philadelphia, Cohocksink. 30 40; Philadelphia, North, 18 90; Philadelphia, Nort'n Liberties, 1st, 30; Northminster, 17 18; Gaston, 23 50.– Phila. North – Bridesburg, 7; Germantown, 1st, 465; Germantown 2d, 31 07.–Westmins'er –Monaghan, 6 20; Slate Ridge, 10; York, 233 38. 1,193 48
 PhTRSURGH. – Blairsville-Armagh, 4 16; Brad-

-Monaghan, 6 20; State Ruge, 10; 1018, 283 38. PITTSURGH.-Blairsville-Armagh, 4 16; Brad-dock's, 12; Centreville, 1 70; Harrison City, 2; New Salem, 9 28; Salem, 6; Derry Station, 7.-Pittsburgh -- Birmingham, 1st, 7 33; Centre, 11 60; Chartiers, 7 81; Concord, 2 25; East Liberty, 19; Lebanon, 10 46; Mingo, 7 20; Mount Pisgah, 7; Mount Washington, 7; Pitts-burgh, 2d, 7 13; Pittsburgh, 7th, 3 96; Pitts-burgh, 9d, 7; Pittsburgh, 7b, 96; Pitts-burgh, 9th 1; Pittsburgh, Bellefield, 32; Pitts-burgh, Grace Memorial, 2 50; Pittsburgh, Shady Side, 18 70; West Elizabeth, 4 60; Wil-kinsburgh, 20:-85; Knoxville, 3. Redstone-Belle Vernon, 1st, 41 50; Geotge's Creek, 12; Jefferson, 6; Laurel H 11, 10 40; Long Run, 21; New Providence, 15. Washington-Core, 7; Mill Creek, 6 66; Mount Prospect, 14 60; Three Springs, 6; Upper Buffalo, 15 33; Washington, 1st, 12 36; Weilsburgh, 10 40; Wheeling, 3rd, 2. 10, from Miss Maggie Ott; Wheeling, 3rd, 2.

TENNESSEE .- Holston-Elizabethton, 1 54; Mt. Kingston-Bethel, 2 20; Madisonville, 3. 10 34 ToLEDO. - Bellefontaine - Bellefontaine, 1 45;

TOLEDO. — Bellefontaine — Bellefontaine, 1 40; De Graff, 3 55; West Liberty, 35 cts; Newstart, 2 07. Huron.—Fremont, 5. Lima — Ada, 2 75; McComb, 6; Sidney, 1st, 18 50. Maumee—Bryan, 1st, 14 30; Delta, 5; Stryker, 3; Perrysburgh, 2 95. 65 22

1st, 14 30; Delta, 5; Stryker, 3; Perrysourgu, 3 25. 65 22
WESTERN NEW YORK. - Buffalo-Buffalo, Cal-vary, 2 53; Buffalo, Westminster, 11 40; Fre-douia, 1st, 15 90. Genesee - Batavia, 25 36; Bergen, 1st Congregational ch., 25 60; Castile, 12; Leroy, 15 19. Niagara - Knowlesville, 7. Rochester - Dansville, (in part), 35; Lima, 2 02; Ogden, 2 44; Rochester, Central, 45 41; Web-ster, 11 93. 211 78 Wiscossin. - Milwaukee - Beloit, German, 1; Ottawa, 46 cts.; Pike Grove, 7 75; Waukesha, 13. Winnebago-Oshkosh, 7; Shawano, 1 50, 30 71

From the Churches \$6,377 31

MISCELLANEOUS.

From Mrs. Rebecca S. Morrison, Salina, Kanasa. 2; interest on Permanent Fund 150; from a minister with nine de-pendent children, 2; from, "W. L. E.," 1; from "a friend," 1; interest on Per-manent Fund, per Mr. Woodward, 1,129 97: from two daughters of a minister. Belle Vernon, Pa. add'l, 10; from "M," special 5; anonymous, Pittsburgh, Pa. 5; from "a lady," 1; interest on Perma-nent Fund, 405; from "M. A.," per the "Presbyterian," 1; from "C. A. B.," Phila, 5; interest on deposits, 144; from "C.," 3; from W. Huey, Esq., Vincennes, Ind., 16; from Miss Anna Brown, Mount Joy, Pa., 5; from "M Miss M. J. W." special, 5; from J. C. Hen-ing, Stillwater, Minn. 6; interest on Permanent Fund, per Mr. Tenbrook 832 15; 832 15;

2,729 52

Total in October..... \$9,106 83 CHARLES BROWN, Treasurer.

Office, 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN.

FINANCIAL. Receipts for October \$2,900.94. Of this \$1,940 were by legacy, leaving but \$960.94 from living Contributors, over \$600 less than the amount thus contributed in October of last year.

DECEMBER.

As the "*First Sabbath in December*," when many churches take their collection for "Freedmen," is at hand, The Presbyterian Committee of Missions for Freedmen would kindly yet earnestly call attention to the following statements concerning the cause entrusted to its care.

THE WORK.

The field assigned to it comprises sixteen states. These contain 4,000, 000 people known as "Freedmen." Of these it is estimated that but twelve in every hundred of school age attend school at all; and that of the 1,700,000 voters in these states, who are unable to read, 700,000 are colored; while multitudes of their so-called religious teachers are deplorably ignorant.

OUR WORK, then, is in no sense political, but simply to plant and maintain the church and the school among these Freedmen. In it we employ preachers, catechists and teachers. The schools are *parochial*; and our teachers are commissioned, not as mere educators, but as Christian missionaries—to seek the spiritual good as well as the mental culture of their pupils.

OUR LAST ANNUAL REPORT gives: ministers, 49; catechists, 27; churches, 139; added on examination, 927; total number of communicants, 10,257; S. S. scholars, 7,456; missionary *teachers*, including assistants, 53, or counting those who both teach and preach, 75; mission schools, 37; pupils in these, 3,939; whole number of missionaries, 129.

ITS WANTS.

1. This work wants the warm sympathy and earnest prayers of the entire Presbyterian Church.

2. At least one liberal collection annually from every church connected with our General Assembly; which, at its last meeting, "heartily and earnestly commended this work to the fervent prayers, increased contributions, and generous support of the churches under its care." And to this end,

3. That each minister will clearly present this work and its wants to his people, with an opportunity to contribute for its support—remembering that, while the work, enlarged, is now more expensive, the receipts for its support during the first half of this year are \$2,400 less than they were during the same period in last year.

4. That churches, Sabbath-schools, ladies' missionary societies, and individuals will undertake to support, in whole or in part, a preacher, teacher or pupil, and thus have their own correspondents in the field.

5. Large funds-building and endowment-for our higher institutions.

Brethren:—You are aware that our last General Assembly, by a unanimous and enthusiastic vote, re-transferred to her Committee on Freedmen the eighty churches which had been put in charge of her Board of Home Missions, and so placed again this entire work under our care. Renewed interest is now felt in this work. Hence the present is a favorable time for your presenting it anew to your people.

[December.

In obedience to what we believed to be the voice of the church, we have somewhat enlarged the work. It must therefore have more money for its support or incur debt. Willing laborers still press to enter the field and reap, but the funds given will not allow us to employ them.

We are expected to train colored laborers for their own race, and these are being multiplied. But how shall we employ them unless means are supplied for their support? The very success of the work creates the most urgent demands for its enlargement. Will our church follow up her success? The Roman Catholic Church is in this field with a large force and

large funds. [See last Annual Report, page 31.] You know her dark ways and whither they lead. Can we as Christians, can we as American citizens look on and but feebly resist?

In view, then, of the marked success with which God has been pleased to bless this work of our church, so far as prosecuted; the renewed interest now awakened in it; its present pressing wants; the dangers of neglect; the future of this people in America; their possible influence in redeeming Africa; and in view of the Saviour's command to "preach the Gospel to every creature," we earnestly plead that those who now give for the support of this work will give more, if practicable and that none will longer neglect to come to its aid.

RECEIPTS FOR FREEDMEN IN OCTOBER, 1878.

ALBANY. — Albany — State St. 20 87. Troy-Waterford, 7 77. CENTRAL NEW YORK.—Binghampton — Mason-ville, 5. Binghampton, North, 91 ets. Otsego-Guilford Centre, 7 10. Syracuse—Jamesville, 10 ets. 19 cts.

19 cts. CINCINNATI.—Cincinnati—Venice, 10 25. Day-ton — Somerville, 1 11; Memorial, 20. Ports-mouth—Russellville, 4. CLEFFLAND.—Cleveland,—Cleveland, Sonth, 20; Hudson, 1st 10; Cleveland, 1st, 15 70; Cleveland, Euclid St., 24. Mahoning—Poland, 22 65. Steu-benville—Rev. John Knox, 10. Coursume.—Zangeville.— Pataskala, 3: Rev

COLUMBUS. - Zanesville - Pataskala, 3; Rev.

ColUMEUS – Zanesville – Pataskala, 3; Rev. John Pitkin, 5. ERE. – Erie Erie, Chestnut Street, 5 19. Kittanning-Rural Valley, 8 35. GENEVA. – Cauya-Aurora, 7 51; Port Byron, 10 50. Geneva-Romulus, 7 46. HARRISBURG. – Huntingdon – Kylertown, 1; Broadford, 1; Ho lidaysburg, 1st, 16 93; Le-mont, 5 94. Northumberland – Williamsport, 9 27. Wetlsboro-Wellsboro, 1 40. ILLINOIS, SOUTH. – Alton-Salem, 6; Virden, 2 33: Troy, 70 cts. Mattoon-Neoga, 1 04. INDIANA, NORTH. – Logansport.-Plymouth, 28 cts. Muncie – New Cumberland, 1; Wabash, 1 17.

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 INDIANA, SOUTH. — White Water — Brookville 4 42; Iowa, NORTH. — Dubuque — Dubuque. 8.
 Iowa, SOUTH. — Des Moines — Indianola, 2 20.
 Iowa — KOSSUth, 6; Keokuk, Westminster, 5 68.
 LONG ISLAND. — Brooklyn, Brooklyn, A, 2d, 13 06; Brooklyn, Franklin Ave., 6 50. Nassau — Freeport, 2 98.
 MICHIEN — Detroit — Detroit — Muser Science Magnetic Magnetic

MICHIGAN. - Detroit - Detroit, Westminster,

7 71. Lansing-Concord, 3 31. MINNESOTA. - St. Paul - Minneapolis, West-

Minster, 20. New JERSEY.—Elizabeth-Basking Ridge, 24; Elizabeth, Westminster, 5u; Roselle, 86 cts; Roselle Sab-sch., 1 08. Jersey City-Claremont, 5 22; Lake View, 3. Newark – Newark 3rd,

22 15; Newark 2d, 10 71; Newark Park, 3 31. New Brunswick — Stockton, 1; Princeton, 1st, 40 52; Hamilton Square, 4 59. Newton-Belvi-dere, 1st, 8 7. West Jersey-Hammonton, 3 75. Morris and Orange-Orange, 1st Ger. Sab-sch. 7.

NEW YORK. - Hudson - Palisades, 1; West Town, 5 55. New York - New York, 4th Ave., 12 95.

PACIFIC .- Sacramento-Stockton 1st, 10. San

PACIFIC-Sate United Sectors and Sectors an town, 22 81.

Ритявлян. — Blairsville—Latrobe, 10. Pitts-burgh—Lebanon, 14; Shady Side, 1879. Redstone -Uniontown, 27 20. Washington,—Washington,

-Uniontown, 24 20. Handberger 1st, 9 61. TOLEDO.-Bellefontaine -Bellefontaine, 99 cts. West Liberty. 24 cts. Maumee-Weston, 3; Gilead, 4; Stryker, 3. WESTERN NEW YORK.-Buffalo-Buffalo, Calvary, 2 81; Buffalo; Westminster, 7 88. Rochester-Dansville, 24 31; Ogden, 1 69; Rochester, Cen-tral, 45 41; Rochester, St. Peter's, 15 60; Lima, 1 39. Genesce-Warsaw, 25. WISCONSTS.-Milwaukce-Ottawa, 31 cts.; Be-loit, Ger, 50 cts.

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Rev. Isaac M. See and Wickliffe ch., Newark Pby. Oct. 2d, 1878. Rev. S. T. Wilson, D.D., and Birmingham

ch., Huntingdon Pby., Oct. 19th, 1878.

Rev. C. P. Glover and Pine Grove church, Baltimore Pby., Oct. 28th, 1878.

CALLS ACCEPTED.

Rev. D. C. Marquis, D.D., to Lafayette

Rev. R. R. Hoes to church at New Ro-chelle, N. Y. Rev. C. L. Thompson, D.D., to 3d church,

Pittsburgh.

Rev. J. Sparhawk Jones to Collegiate Re-formed ch., New York.

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Rev. S. W. Duffield was installed pastor of 2d Altoona by Huntingdon Phy., Oct. 7th, 1878.

Rev. Thos. McCauley was installed pastor of 3d Chester by Chester Pby., Oct. 9, 1878.

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installed pastor at Swedesboro by Wes: Jer-sey Pby., Oct. 8th, 1578. Mr. Jas. F. Riggs was ordained and in-stalled pastor of Cranford 1st, by Elizabeth Pby., Oct. 7th, 1878.

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Pbv., Oct. 23d, 1878.
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1878.

Rev. T. C. Strong, D.D., was installed pastor of Central ch., Pittsburgh, Oct. 27th, 1878.

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gon, to Hastings, Minn. Rev. E. F. Fish from Du Quoin to Danvers, Ills.

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Du Quoin, III. Rev. S. V. McKee from Buckley, Ills., to Wishawaka, Ind. Rev. J. L. Kendall from S. America to 8

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Ashland, Ky. Rev. David Street from Fort Howard to

Rev. S. N. Robinson from Tonawanda to Glenwood, N. Y.

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Rev. J. T. Evans from Bevier, Mo., to Osage City, Kansas.

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Rev. D. I. Biggar from Verona to Camil-lus, N. Y.

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Rev. J. H. McKee is Canby, Yellow Medicine Co., Minnesota, and not Sleepy Eye, as

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Rev. A. N. Keigwin from Philadelphia to Clayton House, Wilmington, Del.

DEATHS.

Rev. Lesko Triest, at New Orleans, La., Oct. 16th, 1878.

Rev. P. B. lieroy, at New York, Oct. 16th, 1878, in the 63d year of his age. Rev. Thos. Street, D.D., ou the cars near Fulton, N.Y., Oct. 16th, 1878, in the 56th year of his age.

Rev. Jas. D. Caldwell, at Austin, Texas,

Oct. 14th, 1878. Rev. Edward Scofield, Sr., at Somonauk, Ills., Oct. 12th, 1878. aged 68 years.

Rev. Isaac Riley, at Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 23d, 1878, in the 44th year of his age.

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